

**MILLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Room 130, Veterans Memorial Building, 900 Main St., Millis, MA**

May 1, 2017

The meeting was brought to order at 7:30 p.m. by Dr. James Lederer, Chair.

The following members were present:

Dr. James Lederer, Chair

Anne Rich, Vice Chair

Ed Chisholm, Christine Gavin, Cara Krinsky, Daniel Lee

Members Absent: Tim Chorey

Others present: Tim & Nancy Cushman, 35 Main St.

Shawn Nuckolls, Toll Brothers

Scott Miccile, Toll Brothers

Ryan Allgrove, Environmental Partners, 1900 Crown Colony Dr., Quincy

**REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY, PUBLIC HEARING
0 TURNER STREET**

NORFOLK DPW/ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS, INC.

The public hearing was opened at 7:30 p.m. with notice being read by Dr. Lederer, Chair.

Mr. Allgrove, representing the Norfolk DPW, presented the application. Mr. Allgrove stated that the Town of Norfolk plans to construct a production wellfield at the Holbrook Street New Source Water Supply Site. In the process of this construction, he said, a five-day wellfield pumping test will be performed on the five test well couplets at the Holbrook Street site. Mr. Allgrove stated that during the five-day pumping test, the proposed location to pump the discharge water is directly into the Charles River. Discharge will be directed into the Charles River at 0 Turner Street, at the intersection of Pleasant Street and Turner Street in Millis. Access to the Charles River will be from Turner Street through approximately forty feet of wetlands before reaching the riverbank, he said. They will discharge using a "6-inch fire hose" directly into the Charles River. According to Mr. Allgrove, they have received approval from DEP. 0 Turner Street is property owned by Kevin and Alexandra Curry, he said.

Mr. Allgrove stated that the test flow of approximately 400 gallons per minute will be discharged either into the river directly or through an erosion control barrier to reduce the velocity and prevent any scour. Any damage to the riverfront area caused by this project, he said, would be repaired to the Commission's satisfaction. "People will be on site consistently" during the pumping, Mr. Allgrove stated.

The Commission secretary had spoken, by phone, to Mr. Curry who was not able to attend the public hearing. He had some questions and concerns regarding the discharge of water across his property. The Commission instructed Mr. Allgrove to speak with Mr. Curry the following day to address any and all concerns.

On a motion made by Ms. Rich, seconded by Ms. Krinsky, it was voted unanimously to close the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

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On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Ms. Rich, it was voted unanimously to approve a Negative 2 Determination of Applicability. The applicant must contact the property owner prior to issuance of the permit.

**DEP FILE#CE225-0400, NOTICE OF INTENT, PUBLIC HEARING, CONT.
84 ORCHARD STREET – GLEN ELLEN SENIOR RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT
TOLL BROTHERS, INC.**

The public hearing continuation was opened at 7:41 p.m. by Dr. Lederer, Chair.

Mr. Miccile of Toll Brothers requested a continuance to allow time for the revised submittals to be reviewed by the peer reviewers.

On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Ms. Gavin, it was voted unanimously at 7:45 p.m. to continue the public hearing to Monday, May 22, 2017, 7:30 p.m.

New Business:

**35 Main Street-Charles Café
Tim & Nancy Cushman**

Informal Discussion

Mr. and Mrs. Cushman stated that they own the building which was the former Charles Café. The building will be renovated within the existing footprint; however they would like to add two structures - an outdoor greenhouse and smokehouse - within the proposed setbacks. Mr. Cushman hopes to open the restaurant within a year. He stated that they would like the restaurant to be a “community-involved, educational” restaurant and they would “tap into” local farms. Mr. Cushman stated that they are aware of the floodplain issues and they are working with an architect and will comply with all environmental concerns. The Commission suggested they hire appropriate experts who are familiar with the Rivers Act, Wetlands Protection Act and Bylaw when preparing a Notice of Intent.

224 Pleasant Street

Richard Adams

Informal Discussion

Mr. Adams, who owns Village Pool & Spa in Medway, stated that he has a potential customer who wanted to install an above-ground pool at the above address. Mr. Adams said that it was discovered that the location of the proposed pool is over a septic leaching field. The proposed location must now be moved, he said, and he inquired if the Commission would allow the pool “into the 50-foot buffer zone.” The Commission agreed that where this is not a “hardship” situation, the pool construction would not be allowed within the buffer zone.

