

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mr. George Yered, Acting Chair.

Members present: George Yered, Acting Chair
James McKay, Acting Clerk
Catherine MacInnes
Nicole Riley
Richard Nichols, Associate Member

Barbara J. Thissell, PE

Members Absent: Robert Cantoreggi, Chair

Also present: Dan Merrikin, Merrikin Engineering

THOMAS ROCHE

INFORMAL DISCUSSION

CONCEPTUAL PLAN – SPRING ST.

Mr. Roche had requested an informal discussion; however he was unable to attend the meeting. He requested, via email, being re-scheduled to the December 13th meeting.

SOUTHEND FARM SUBDIVISION

MINOR MODIFICATION REQUEST

SUBDRAIN SYSTEM IN BEECH ST.

DAN MERRIKIN

Mr. Merrikin presented a letter, dated October 26, 2011, and a one page plan entitled, “Southend Farm Minor Modification Plan of Land in Millis, MA,” dated October 26, 2011. Mr. Merrikin explained that the original design called for a subdrain to be installed along the westerly side of Beech Street. However, he said, in completing the septic system testing and designs for the latest batch of lot developments, they were unable to find a septic location that could maintain the requisite 50-foot setback to the subdrain for Lot 24 due to shallow ledge deposits. Mr. Merrikin stated that they are requesting a minor modification to allow the subdrain from stations 21+00 to 22+50, as shown on the plan, to be abandoned as it is not necessary. An alternative option, he said, is to allow the subdrain to be abandoned with a replacement subdrain to be installed near the centerline of the roadway as shown on the plan. In Mr. Merrikin’s opinion, he said, they prefer to abandon that stretch of subdrain.

Ms. Thissell summarized her review letter, dated November 15, 2011. Ms. Thissell stated that she does agree with Mr. Merrikin’s request to allow the abandonment of the subdrain as she does not believe the subdrain is warranted after her review of the existing groundwater information. She stated she recommends approval of his request as a field change as the subdrain was not needed initially.

On a motion made by Mr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Nichols, it was voted unanimously at 7:43 p.m. to approve the minor modification request for the abandonment of the subdrain from stations 21+00 to 22+50 on Beech Street as shown on the plan presented. This modification is considered a field change.

OTHER BUSINESS:

MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Yered, seconded by Ms. MacInnes, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes from October 18, 2011, as written.

ADJOURN

There being no further discussion and on a motion made by Ms. MacInnes, seconded by Mr. McKay and voted unanimously, the regular session meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:45 p.m.

Motion by Ms. MacInnes, seconded by Ms. Riley, to enter into executive session, under G.L. c.30A, S.21(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to litigation known as Thomas J. Roche, et al. v. Town of Millis Planning Board, et al, Norfolk Superior Court, C.A. NOCV2008-00859D, as the Planning Board chair has declared that holding an open session regarding the matter may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the Board.

By Roll Call Vote:

- Mr. George Yered – aye
- Ms. Catherine MacInnes – aye
- Mr. James McKay – aye
- Ms. Nicole Riley- aye
- Mr. Richard Nichols – aye

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Standley
Administrative Assistant