

SUTTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

May 18, 2011

MINUTES

Approved: _____

Present: Mark Briggs, Chair, Joyce Smith, Co-Chair, Alyse Aubin, Daniel Rice, Jack Sheehan
Staff: Wanda M. Bien, Secretary
Brandon Faneuf, Consultant

NEW PUBLIC HEARINGS

86 Duval Road

DEP#303-0726

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:10pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of construction of a new single family house with septic system, landscaping and driveway.

Present: Robert Murphy, Murphy Associates, Katherine Hamelin, owner

R. Murphy explained where the septic system and new house would be located, which is almost at the Douglas Town Line. This property was purchased from the Town of Sutton. The Town had done perk tests last year, which shows it is acceptable for Title V. There are two main wetlands, one on the right with a culvert, and the other an intermittent stream. Both drain into Steven's pond. They are proposing a single-family house with a Presby Septic system and a well, all of which are located in the buffer zone. No work would be in the 50' buffer zone area other than the hay bale erosion controls. They did the entire site to show all of the wetlands. This is only one lot because of the wetlands and the isolated wetland area would be left untouched. There is a depression that is not a vernal pool. There is no culvert, just a stagnant pool. They are showing hay bales but are using straw wattles instead. They identified the trees in the buffer zone. This is a heavily wooded lot with an old foundation of a house, where they are showing the new house location. There is a shallow well, which they filled in, and a cesspool that would be filled in. The septic has been approved by the Board of Health. Also shown are the red oaks that would be re-planted along the driveway and the property to replace the trees taken down. The recharge water and drywells for runoff water are also shown on the plans.

M. Briggs said to stake out the locations and they will do a site visit on Saturday.

J. Sheehan questioned if they were going to have a deck on the house. If so they need to put that on the plans. He also questioned the perimeter drain.

B. Faneuf summarized his site visit report

See attachment Ecosystem Report #1

Abutters:

Ron & Amy Pelliquin, 96 Duval Road, are concerned that the trees that were cut down were all thrown down in the water and are flooding the road. Behind the foundation is also very wet. The water starts at 78 Torrey Road, goes under the roadway to Duval Road, and down to Stevens Pond.

A site visit would be done on May 21, 2011 at 1:00pm.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission, to June 1, 2011, by J. Sheehan
2nd: J. Smith
Vote: 5-0-0

Update to Endorse Permit

7:55pm

269 Mendon Road

DEP#303-0682

Present: Robert Murphy for Certificate of Compliance to be signed

R. Murphy said the replication was done very well and is stabilized. The crossing area was supposed to have a headwall.

J. Sheehan said they need the details of the replication area before the Commission can sign off.

The fire department has some concerns about getting a truck in. The box culvert size should be verified that it was installed according to the plans and is the correct size.

The board will not sign the Certificate because the 18" berm has not been installed over the culvert.

M. Briggs told the secretary to get an update from the new owner as to when the work would be done, and the Commission can inspect the driveway.

8:05pm

61 Stone School Road

DEP#303-0673

Present: Robert Murphy for Certificate of Compliance to be signed

R. Murphy explained the Certificate that is needed to complete this project.

The Board will do a site visit.

CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS

78 Torrey Road

DEP#303-

The continuation was opened at 8:15pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of a driveway crossing.

Not Present: Seth Lajoie, & Associates, for Jodi Healey, owner

This hearing was continued by the Conservation Commission. A letter is to be sent to the representative to appear at the next meeting on June 1, 2011. If no representative is at that meeting the Public Hearing would be closed.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission, to June 1, 2011, by J. Sheehan
2nd: J. Smith
Vote: 5-0-0

32 Horne Drive

DEP#303-0725

The continuation was opened at 8:20pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of demolition of existing cottage on Lake Singletary, construction of a new 3-bedroom house with attached garage, screened porch, deck, patio, shed, pave driveway.

Present: Cynthia and John Charest, owners, for Alton Stone, Alton Engineering, Robert Murphy, past engineer in 2006.

M. Briggs asked if there had been any decisions from the ZBA.

Mr. Charest replied that there were issues brought up at the ZBA meeting, and their next meeting is on June 2nd.

R. Murphy came in to clarify that the last work done on this site by him was in 2000 for the septic system and 2006 to take down trees for Elaine Bryant. He explained that there were no Certificates for either filing because they were both Requests for Determination.

M. Briggs questioned the three trees that were to be replanted back then.

J. Charest showed the Board the revised plans from Alton Stone, and said the property has been staked with the locations of the house and all of the disturbances. They met with an arborist, Ron Duprey, Millbury Tree Warden, and he will have a report prepared for them by the June 1st meeting. It was noted in his walk of this site, the gray birch tree, which is leaning over the neighbor's house, is dead and needs to come down. The wooden platform down by the water has been changed to porous pavers. They moved the boat house outside the 25' zone, and will re-plant a red oak down by the water. The total number of trees they are replacing would be 11, with bushes along the water.

M. Briggs doesn't want to see the giant oak come down, he would like to see it preserved.

J. Charest replied that the root system may be compromised during construction. He reviewed the other trees and bushes that they would replace on the site. They would be using straw wattles and not hay bales, and would note this on the plans.

B. Faneuf reviewed his issues with the revised plans.

Motion: To continue, with the applicant's permission, to June 1, 2011, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

Leland Hill Estates 40B Subdivision

DEP#303-0701 to #303-0722

The continuation was opened at 9:00pm. M. Briggs read the hearing notice as it appeared in the Millbury Sutton Chronicle.

The project consists of the Notices of Intent pertaining to the completion of a subdivision roadway and associated infrastructure as well as construction of a sewer pump station and twenty (20) single-family homes on individual lots. The proposed work is within the Buffer Zone adjacent to wetland areas subject to protection under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and the Town of Sutton Wetlands and Riverfront Administration Bylaw, on Map 12, Parcel 72, at 101 Leland Hill Road, Sutton MA.

Motion: To continue the Public Hearings, with the applicant's permission, on the total subdivision, DEP#303-0701 to #303-0722 to May 4, 2011, due to no proper information to make a decision, by J. Sheehan.

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

BOARD BUSINESS

Unexpected Business: 29 Wheelock Road/V. Kamitis – Violation of Wetlands. This area was checked by J. Smith and it appears that they are far enough from the wetlands with no impact.

Approve Minutes of May 4, 2011

Motion: To accept the minutes of May 4, 2011, corrected by J. Smith, by J. Sheehan

2nd: A. Aubin

Vote: 5-0-0

The Board Endorse Permits for:

383 Boston Road/School – the Board resigned a new original, to be registered with the Worcester Registry of Deeds as the first one was lost.

A site visit would be done on May 21, 2001 for: **61 Stone School Road**, and **13 Tucker Lane** for signing of the Certificate of Compliance.

The Routing Slips for 86 Barnett Road's septic upgrade was signed.

Discussions: **458 Boston Road/K. Harris** - Replication area review. No new info has come in.

Unexpected Business: **410 Putnam Hill Road/Pump Station**

J. Sheehan and B. Faneuf reviewed the information from the state and what would be done to fix the road with culverts, to stop the overflow of water onto the roadway.

See attached Email from J. Sheehan and the State

See Attachment Email #2 by J. Sheehan

Correspondence: **MACC Workshops**

B. Faneuf explained how the MACC workshops work and how they would help this Commission and the surrounding town Commissions to get together for these workshops. He will get back to us with some dates in June.

Anyone interested in purchasing the DVD for any public hearing at this meeting, please contact Pam Nichol's in the Cable office or you can view the minutes and video at www.suttonma.org.

Motion: To adjourn, by J. Sheehan

2nd: J. Smith

Vote: 5-0-0

Adjourned at 9:30pm.