

**MILLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Room 104, Veterans Memorial Building, 900 Main St., Millis, MA
October 3, 2016**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:31 p.m. by Dr. James Lederer, Chair.

The following members were present:

Dr. James Lederer, Chair

Tim Chorey, Ed Chisholm (arrived at 8:15pm) , Cara Krinsky, Daniel Lee, Anne Rich

Members Absent: Christine Gavin

Others present: Scott Goddard, Goddard Consulting, LLC
Joanne & Mark Basham, 26 Eden St.

DEP FILE#CE225-0398, NOTICE OF INTENT, PUBLIC HEARING
28 EDEN STREET - SINGLE FAMILY HOME CONSTRUCTION
THOMAS ROCHE, ROCHE'S BUILDING

The public hearing was opened at 7:31 p.m. with notice being read by Dr. James Lederer, Chair.

Materials presented for this application:

- Letter to Millis Conservation Commission from Scott Goddard, Goddard Consulting, LLC, dated September 8, 2016
- WPA Form 3 – Notice of Intent with attachments
- Plan entitled, “28 Eden Street, Septic Design, Plan of Land in Mills, MA,” (1 sheet) dated August 2, 2016, prepared by Merrikin Engineering, LLP

Mr. Scott Goddard, representing the applicant, Mr. Roche, presented the application and plan. He provided background on this lot stating that Mr. Roche had filed an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation for the lot, which was denied by the Commission. Mr. Goddard was then hired by Mr. Roche to establish a new wetland line and submitted a new plan to DEP for review. According to Mr. Goddard, Mr. Gary Dulmaine and Ms. Judy Schmidt from DEP conducted a site walk and affirmed the wetland boundary. A Superseding Order of Resource Area Delineation was issued by DEP, he said.

The proposed project is for a single family home construction with septic system within the western portion of the parcel. It is within the 50 and 100-foot buffer of a Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW). Mr. Goddard stated that the applicant must meet Board of Health regulations for the septic system and setbacks per the Zoning Board of Appeals. The septic area was perked by Daniel Merrikin of Merrikin Engineering, he stated. The proposed project meets all Title 5 standards for a three-bedroom dwelling. The applicant is requesting a waiver from the Wetlands Rules and Regulations No Disturbance Zone within 50 feet from a wetland boundary. The waiver request states, “Goddard believes that the proposed project, consisting of a house, driveway and septic system has been strategically positioned with the highest consideration given to protection of the resource area. The existence of the lot (1962) pre-dates the existence of the Town of Millis Wetlands Protection Rules and Regulations (July 23, 2007). Without a waiver granted from the Commission, the 44,343 square foot lot is unbuildable under the Town of Millis Wetlands Protection Rules and Regulations.”

