

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

May 2, 2016

The meeting was brought to order at 7:32 p.m. by Dr. James Lederer, Chair.

The following members were present:

Dr. James Lederer, Chair
Anne Rich, Vice-Chair
Ed Chisholm, Tim Chorey, Christine Gavin, Daniel Lee

Marta Nover, Nover-Armstrong, Wetlands Consultant

Members Absent: Cara Krinsky

Others present: Mark Manganello, 12 Resnick Rd., Plymouth
Scott Miccile, 134 Flanders Rd., Westborough
Shawn Nuckolls, Franklin
Derek Wheeler, 134 Flanders Rd., Westborough
Jason Lobisser, 72 Milford St., Medway
Michael Dryden, Bohler Engineering
Mark Kearns, Atlantic, 60 Guild St., Norwell
Matt Darling, 1313 Main St.
Donna Pallister, 300 Metro Ctr. Blvd., Warwick, RI
Nick Munn, 15 Ridge St.

**DEP FILE #CE225- 0390, NOTICE OF INTENT, PUBLIC HEARING, CON'T.
OFF MAIN STREET – LARGE SCALE SOLAR FACILITY
CLEAN ENERGY COLLECTIVE**

The public hearing continuation was opened at 7:31 p.m. by Ms. Anne Rich, Vice-Chair.

Ms. Colleen DeBenedetto, in a letter dated March 25, 2016, requested a withdrawal, without prejudice, for the Notice of Intent application.

On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously at 7:32 p.m. to close the public hearing.

On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously to approve the withdrawal request for the Notice of Intent filed by Clean Energy Collective for the proposed solar facility off Main Street, DEP File #CE 225-0390.

**ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF RESOURCE AREA DELINEATION, PUBLIC
HEARING, CONT.
84 ORCHARD STREET – GLEN ELLEN COUNTRY CLUB
TOLL BROTHERS, INC.**

The public hearing continuation was opened at 7:35 p.m. by Ms. Rich, Vice-Chair.

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Mr. Manganello of LEC Environmental, representing the applicant, presented the revised plans (revised 4/27/16). He stated that there were three main items discussed at the last meeting:

1. topography in the vicinity of the floodplain
2. intermittent stream locations
3. vernal pool study documents

Item Numbers 1 and 2 have been revised and shown on the plan, he said. There was an aerial flyover done by Keystone Aerial. Mr. Manganello stated that he met with Ms. Nover on site last Thursday. There were eight certifiable vernal pools out of the ten potential locations. The mean high water line has been delineated for each of the vernal pools. The vernal pool data will be submitted.

Mr. Chisholm requested that the applicant look at the culvert discussed. He said that it is the Town's culvert and may be in disrepair.

Ms. Nover summarized her review letter dated May 2, 2016. She discussed her six recommendations should an Order of Resource Area Delineation (ORAD) be approved. The ORAD wording should specifically exclude Bank boundary from confirmation, she said, and she recommended that the plans be revised to show the bylaw resource areas. Ms. Nover also recommends that the applicant submit their vernal pool data collected. She discussed the "Y-series depression/IVW" area which did not have "much water in it." It is a "depression in the field" now she said, but it does have the characteristics of a vernal pool. There is not enough water right now and it is not identified on the plan, she said. She recommended that the ORAD wording should state that the BLSF boundary is defined as elevation 143 to 144. If more detailed topographic contours are developed during the Notice of Intent process, the boundary of the BLSF on the site plans should be modified accordingly, she said. Ms. Nover recommended that a note be added to the plan that FEMA Floodway exists along Bogastow Brook.

Mr. Chorey questioned whether the stream off Grove Street was perennial or intermittent. Mr. Chorey stated that the stream could be perennial and, if it is, the riverfront area will have to be delineated. There are strict redevelopment guidelines in the riverfront area, he said. Mr. Manganello stated that they went with the presumption, based on the information they have, that the stream is not perennial. Ms. Nover stated that if the Commission feels further investigation is needed, the applicant can be requested to provide water stats. Mr. Manganello stated that they would look into it further and Ms. Nover can review/approve their findings.

Mr. Manganello stated that the discussed revisions were minor and he requested that the public hearing be closed, and the ORAD issuance/approval contingent upon receipt of the revised plans. Mr. Chorey was not in favor of closing the hearing as it would not allow opportunity for discussion. The next scheduled meeting of the Commission is Monday, June 6, 2016. Mr. Manganello requested an earlier date for the continued hearing as the applicant is hoping to move forward sooner.

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On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted (5-0) in favor, with Mr. Chorey opposed, at 8:00p.m., to scheduling a meeting on Monday, May 16, 2016, and continuing the public hearing on that date at 7:30 p.m. The motion passed.

**GLEN ELLEN COUNTRY CLUB SRC DEVELOPMENT
INFORMAL DISCUSSION-CONCEPT PLAN
MARK MANGANELLO/SCOTT MICILLE**

Mr. Miccile presented two versions of the “Senior Residential Community 324 Home Concept Plan.” He said the wetland boundaries had been added. Due to the location of one of the vernal pools in the Northwest corner, they have had to alter their access. They proposed two options shown on the plans. Mr. Miccile asked if there were any performance standard applications they should be aware of.

The Commission reviewed the plans and there was some discussion. The Commission would prefer the option with the least impact to the wetlands. Mr. Miccile stated that they have tried to keep all of the structures outside the 100-foot buffer zone.

The Commission will continue discussion on this plan at the meeting on Monday, May 16, 2016, after the ANRAD public hearing.

**CONCOM FIELDS - HAYING
INFORMAL DISCUSSION
JASON LOBISSER**

Mr. Lobisser stated he is a certified organic farmer. He submitted two letters. In one, he requested to hay and fertilize the fields on Village Street and the Cassidy Farm on Exchange Street. In the second letter, he requested to hay and fertilize the land on Pleasant Street and the Dewey property. He said it would at no cost to the Town. Mr. Lobisser stated that he had spoken to Mr. Leo Braun who had hayed some of the fields on the past. According to Mr. Lobisser, Mr. Braun “had no problem” with him doing it. Mr. Lobisser stated that Mr. Mayo cuts Cassidy’s and Dewey. He said he would do the open hay field at Verderber and Village Street for now. He would like to clean up the Village Street area and re-seed it with a hay mix. The cutting would take place in the middle of June and then again the beginning of September.

Dr. Lederer stated that he would speak to the Tangerini’s as they do some of the haying as well. The Commission was in favor of Mr. Lobisser’s proposal.

**DEP FILE #CE225-0392
1313-1319 MAIN STREET
TRACTOR SUPPLY
INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

Mr. Michael Dryden, representing the applicant, stated that since the issuance of the Commission’s Order of Conditions for the project, some revisions were made to the plans. He stated that the Board of Health “has some stringent regulations” and they cannot increase the volume of runoff from the site. The applicant was not granted a waiver from the Board of

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Health as they had hoped. This resulted in a bigger detention basin being created, he said, to comply with the Board of Health regulations. He presented the revised sheet 5 of the plans. Mr. Dryden requested that the Order of Conditions be Amended to reflect the revised plan as the change is “relatively minor.”

The Commission reviewed the plan. In addition to referencing the revised plan set (Revised April 7, 2016), two Special Conditions will be added to the Order:

-Bio-degradable erosion control blankets; North American Green S150BN or approved equal, shall be installed on any slope 2½ : 1 or steeper. (Added 5-10-16)

-New England Conservation/Wildlife Mix and New England Showy Wildflower Mix shall be used at a 2:1 ratio and applied at twice the recommended rate on all disturbed areas not intended to be mowed, e.g. on detention basin slopes and slopes below the parking lot wall. (Added 5-10-16)

On a motion made by Dr. Lederer, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously to approve an Amended Order of Conditions for DEP File #CE225-0392, 1313-1319 Main Street, Tractor Supply.

**TRESCA BROTHERS
INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

Ms. Donna Pallister of Arcadus, representing Tresca Brothers, was in attendance. The Commission had expressed concern over a large stockpile of material which appeared to be in close proximity to the wetlands. Ms. Pallister stated that she works for an environmental consulting firm hired by Tresca Brothers. She stated that the material in question is behind a berm that was installed. All stockpiles and equipment is behind the berm, she said, which is separated from the wetlands. Ms. Pallister said that the stockpiles are not near the wetlands. She stated that her company does quarterly Stormwater inspections and there is a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan in place. According to Ms. Pallister, they are on site often and would monitor any encroachment to the wetlands.

The Commission requested any documentation on the berm and any pictures available. Ms. Pallister stated that she would email these to the Commission’s Secretary.

**15 RIDGE STREET
NICHOLAS MUNN - SHED**

Mr. Munn was in attendance as requested by the Commission. He presented pictures of the shed in the rear of his property. He said he “talked to the Town in November” and was not required to pull a building permit. He said the shed sits on cinder blocks and no clearing was done. Mr. Munn was not aware of any wetland issues.

