

MILLBURY PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES

January 13, 2020

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Millbury Planning Board was held on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 7:15 p.m. in the Municipal Office Building, 127 Elm Street, Millbury, MA. Chairman Richard Gosselin presided.

Present: Rich Gosselin, Terry Burke Dotson, Paul Piktelis, Bruce DeVault, Mathew Ashmankas

Absent:

**7:15 p.m.** James Waire – 15 Moore Drive  
Jessica J. Drive Extension  
Discussion of Swales

James Waire, 15 Moore Drive, discussed the swales on their property. He stated that there have been modifications to the swale and he still has an issue with the design. He provided the board with pictures during recent rain events.

Chairman Gosselin inquired about the grading of the slope and Bob Vigneau, representing Miles Builders, stated that based on the August meeting the bottom of the trench was .., on downhill side. Work was performed on September 24, 2019. He provided a picture of completed work to the Board. The work was recommended by Stantec Engineering. One picture is taken two months later and details the grass reestablished.

Mr. Piktelis inquired and Mr. Vigneau confirmed that the responsibility of the swale is the homeowner. Ms. Connors commented that she visited the site on two separate occasions and provided the pictures to the Board. She visited the site twenty-four hours after the rain event and the ground was dry. She confirmed with Stantec and it is a 72 hours drainage timeframe.

Mr. Piktelis commented that when he visited the site the swale was not clear of debris.

Mr. Waire requested the paperwork regarding Stantec's timeframe for drainage. He expressed concern about ongoing drainage and safety issues of the basin.

Mr. Vigneau explained how the basins would work prior to the Waire's moving into the residence. He completed the work based on the last Board meeting. The retention basin was designed and approved. Chairman Gosselin will schedule an onsite visit with Bob Vigneau to review current conditions.

Mr. Waire inquired about the retention basin and the water levels. He stated that there has been no maintenance done.

Mr. Vigneau indicated that the basin maintenance is the responsibility of the HOA. It has not been mowed due to no grass growth. He confirmed that two basins were installed at the project. The builders and the homeowners are responsible jointly for the maintenance. He requested finalization from the Board on this swale issue.

8:00 pm 34 Grafton Street

Ms. Connors stated that the 20 day appeal period has expired for 34 Grafton St.

Mathew Ashmankas made a motion to indorse the definitive subdivision plan for land on 32 & 34 Grafton Street, Millbury, MA, owned by Grafton Street Realty, LLC & 34 Grafton Street Realty LLC, dated December 9, 2019, Paul Piktelis seconded, voted unanimously.

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Mathew Ashmankas made a motion to accept the minutes of November 25, 2019, seconded by Paul Piktelis, voted unanimously.

Mathew Ashmankas made a motion to accept the minutes of December 9, 2019, seconded by Paul Piktelis, voted unanimously.

**Other Business:**

8:05pm Cobblestone Village,

Larry Richards, 6 Lincoln Ave, presented the board with a complaint on the Cobblestone Village project. During the Summer/Fall 2017 blasting there were complaints from the neighbors regarding the damage in the neighborhood. He stated he know of three neighbors with damage. He had roughly 2-3 inches of water in his house. He filed a blasting complaint and it was determined that the damage not caused by blasting.

Chairman Gosselin inquired and Mr. Richard confirmed that the issues were underground.

Mr. Richards also stated that the gas line on roadway replaced. He also filed with blasting company and their insurance company in the spring of 2018 and it was declined in the fall of 2018.

Chairman Gosselin inquired about the retention pond installed within the development.

Ms. Connors stated that when the process of designing a project takes place, there is a requirement of test pits with Stantec overseeing the tests.

Chairman Gosselin requested that the water table be checked with the development on the site in regarding to shifting on the property. Ms. Connors stated she would contact the developer.

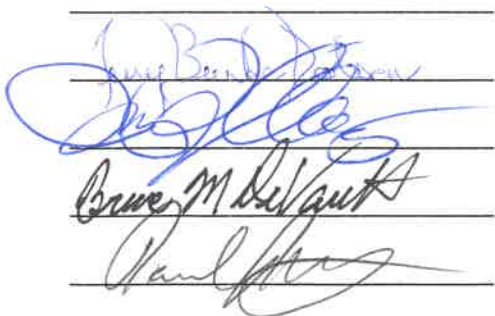
**Adjournment**

Bruce DeVault made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Matt Ashmankas, voted unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Collins

ATTEST:



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