

**MILLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Location: Regency at Glen Ellen (Orchard Street), Millis, MA**

July 14, 2019

The meeting was brought to order at 1:00 pm. by Anne Rich, Vice Chair; Mr. Chisholm 2nd

The following members were present:

Ed Chisholm, Christine Gavin, Daniel Lee, Anne Rich, Carol Hayes

Marta Nover, Nover-Armstrong/BETA Group

Members Absent: Dr. James Lederer, Chair

Others present: Ryan O'Rourke, Toll Bros.
Ted Merchant, Toll Bros.

**“Regency at Glen Ellen” – Glen Ellen/Toll Bros. (Orchard Street)
DEP File #CE225-0400 – Partial Certificate of Compliance Request
Phase 2 Start Work Approval**

The focus of the public hearing held at the site was for the Commission to view existing conditions prior to authorizing Toll to move forward with site work in the remainder of Phase 2. The Commission toured the Phase 1 project limits, focusing on the temporary stormwater basins and discharges to jurisdictional areas. There was a location along the erosion control barriers that exhibited minor sediment migration beyond the barrier. Toll stated they would address it. Based on the stability of Phase 1 with respect to site work, established erosion controls and working temporary settling basins, the Commission agreed to allow Toll to start clearing trees and vegetation in the remainder of Phase 2. The Commission instructed Toll that they cannot grub and stump Phase 2 until all the temporary settling basins are constructed and BETA conducts a site inspection to confirm compliance. Upon authorization from BETA, stump removal and grubbing can commence.

On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously to authorize Toll to commence with construction work in the remainder of Phase 2 with the above stated conditions.

The Road J Crossing (Jameson) was viewed by the Commission. Work had commenced – the area was cleared and grubbed, erosion controls in place, and the sewer line installed. The water line was to be installed the following Monday. The intermittent stream was not flowing although there was standing water in the footprint of the crossing likely from the recent rain event. The standing water was to be pumped to an existing catch basin to be discharged into a settling basin in Phase 1.

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**Orchard Street Sewer Improvements – Orchard Street
DEP File #CE225-0406 - Request to Approve Plan Modifications**

The focus of the public hearing held at the site was for the Commission to view existing conditions prior to authorizing Toll to move forward with design plan modifications to the sewer force main in Orchard Street at the Bogastow Brook bridge east of the site development at Sta 50+00.00. Toll is asking the Commission to allow them to hang the force main alongside the bridge above the opening versus the permitted direction drilling below the river in the road right of way. The Commission found that more detailed existing conditions information needed to be provided by Toll before they could determine that the work would not have an adverse impact on the resource areas – bank, land under water and riverfront area. There did not appear to be vegetated wetlands adjacent to the river in this location. BETA asked Toll to provide a riverfront restoration plan that described the plantings to stabilize the slope / riverfront area at the sewer main approach to the bridge and to show the existing stone wall on either side of the bridge on the northside where the subsurface sewer line was to be located.

At the next public hearing and after review of the additional information, the Commission will vote whether the modifications to the permitted plans can move forward without any additional permitting.

Other Business:

None.

Scheduled Conservation Commission Meetings: Tentative August 5, 2019

There being no further business, on a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, and voted unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Standley, Administrative Assistant