

Minutes of the Selectmen's Meeting of April 4, 2013
Town Hall – Meeting Room #1 7:00pm

Present: Selectmen John Franey, Sarah Hewins, Helen Marrone, Richard Ward, Chairman Michael O'Donnell

Earth Removal Committee Members Present: Chairman John Garretson, R. Ieronimo, James Nauen, J. Shurtleff. Darlene Whittemore took the meeting minutes.

Joint meeting of Board of Selectmen and Earth Removal Committee

O'Donnell led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and read the announcements.

Logan Earth Removal Permit as it pertains to the solar panel construction off Great Meadow Drive:

Garretson outlined the general accepted practices of an Earth Removal Permit, which also pertains to the Logan Permit. He reviewed the history of the work according to the permit.

Eric Tobolski submitted photos of cracks in his foundation he believes are caused by the vibration of large trucks that pass by his property.

Garretson stated the Committee will be performing a site walk on April 6 with the property owner and Logan to review Tobolski's issue, truck routes and any other issues that need to be addressed.

Michelle Cohen spoke on behalf of her neighbors regarding vibrations in their homes during the project.

Mr. Martin complained of dust, and Garretson stated they will also look into monitoring dust control.

Captain Hall Road residents questioned days and hours of operation and questioned tree and stump removal.

Garretson stated the permit was issued with standard operating hours and that stump grinding was not permitted on the property. Logan informed Garretson that Lopes was hauling the stumps out.

The residents also stated the trucks were using Captain Hall Road for exiting and Garretson stated that if the committee is informed of this, he can call the police to enforce the permit. Garretson ensured them he will speak to Lopes and stop the trucks from using that road.

Bob Belbin questioned what tools are in place when a permit is in violation. Garretson stated there needs to be sufficient documentation and that the Committee will always try to remedy the situation as opposed to issuing a fine. He would like everyone to work with the Earth Removal Committee and his contact information will be put on the website so he will be easily accessible to the public if an issue arises.

Rod Forrester expressed his concern about the solar project. Garretson stated the permit is separate from the solar project and he can only speak on Earth Removal concerns.

Garretson stated he will be at the April 9 Selectmen's meeting to give an update on his site walk.

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m by Franey, second by Ward, vote 5-0.