Earth Removal Committee Minutes of 9/28/16

In attendance: Chairman J. Garretson M. Harrison, R. Ieronimo, J.

Shurtleff, J. Nauen and D. Ward

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Chairman Garretson read the Agenda to the members and the audience.

Review of previous meeting minutes:

J. Shurtleff motioned to approve minutes of 9/7/16 as written, seconded by M. Harrison and the remaining members were in agreement with the exception of D. Ward who abstained.

Vote: 5-1 (Abstention: D. Ward)

Public Hearing-Domingo Fernandes Walker Rd:

The public hearing opened at 7:06 p.m. Chairman Garretson stated that he visited the site with J. Shurtleff and J. Nauen Saturday, September 24th to familiarize with the project. Mr. Fernandes stated that he would like to dig a water hole on his property at the north side of the easement and collaborate with his abutting neighbor, Mr. Brolin. Mr. Fernandes discussed that he would like to grow organic cranberries and have a screening operation. He also stated that he would like to lower elevation near the power line and informed that he has a request into Eversource to gain their permission. Chairman Garretson inquired about the flow of water from Mr. Brolin and Mr. Fernandes properties and inquired about the NRCS plan. Mr. Fernandes presented the letter to him from NRCS. D. Ward inquired about the present water flow to the reservoir. Discussion followed explaining that the flow originated from John's Pond to Mr. Brolin's property. A pipe or canal would make the connection to Mr. Fernandes property. Chairman Garretson inquired about the yardage request as it would correlate to the time frame of the project. Mr. Brolin replied that 15,000 yards would be staying on site and some would also be used toward a new roadway on the easement; no impact would be involved for Walker Road. Mr. Fernandes stated that he felt it made more sense to build a new road and that Eversource would

Update on Vaughn Activity:

Mr. Larry Horton contacted Chairman Garretson regarding dirt and dust at the Vaughn site. Chairman Garretson informed Mr. Vaughn that he would be responsible for sprinklers to mitigate the dust. Elaine Weston requested an update from Mr. Giagrande.

Review of other Earth Removal activity in July:

Mr. Santarpia is almost finished. The Committee also mentioned the passing of Mr. Banks.

Review of Earth Removal Account:

Chairman Garretson will contact John Woods regarding use of the funds.

New Business:

None

Adjourn:

The next meeting was scheduled for October 26, 2016 at 7 pm in meeting room 4.

J. Shurtleff made a motion to adjourn, seconded by D. Ward and the remaining members were in agreement.

Vote: 6 to 0

The meeting ended at 8:37 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Whittemore, Earth Removal Secretary