Earth Removal Committee Minutes of 10/26/16

In attendance:

Chairman J. Garretson M. Harrison, R. Ieronimo, J.

Shurtleff and J. Nauen

Absent:

D. Ward

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Review of previous meeting minutes:

M. Harrison motioned to approve minutes of 9/28/16 with two corrections; M. Harrison did not attend the September 24th site visit and spelling error (Conversation to Conservation p.2) seconded by J. Nauen seconded and the remaining members were in agreement.

Vote: 5-0

Continuation of Public Hearing-Domingo Fernandes Walker Rd:

Mr. Fernandes stated that his partner, Dennis, was away and that he had not received any information from Eversource. As a result he stated that he would prefer to scale down the project by eliminating the hill and creating a water hole. Chairman Garretson stated that the Committee could not approve a permit and have the size double; another hearing would be required. Mr. Fernandes stated he would request another hearing if he desired changes. Mr. Fernandes discussed that Dennis got figures based upon the engineering plans as approximately 16,000 yard and he felt that the net to exit the site would be 12,000 cubic yards. He also indicated about a one year term where he doesn't anticipate a steady flow of trucks. The estimate of material and that some may be left on site, existing roads on the property, road traffic, the exclusion of utilizing Walker Road, number of trucks allowed, the hours of operation and the need to avoid the Historic area were discussed. J. Nauen motioned to close the hearing and M. Harrison seconded and the remaining members were in agreement.

Vote 5 to 0

The hearing portion of the meeting concluded at 7:54 pm.

J. Nauen motioned to approve the permit to allow the removal of 15,000 yards of material using up to 30 trucks per day, controlling dust as

needed with processed material, adhering to the hours of operation as Monday - Friday from 7 am to 4 pm acknowledging the bus stop times and Saturday from 8 - noon seconded by J. Shurtleff and the remaining committee members were in agreement.

Vote: 5 to 0

Discussion of Center St. application and site visit:

Chairman Garretson scheduled the next inspections for 11/12/16 at 8 a.m. He also mentioned that Mrs. Banks would like to finish the permit that was opened by her husband and stated that the Committee could review after the inspections. Discussion of organic loam.

Review of other Earth Removal activity:

D. Whittemore to add Decas Phase II to active permit sheet.

Review of Earth Removal Account:

Chairman Garretson will contact the DPW regarding use of the funds.

New Business:

None

Adjourn:

The next meeting was scheduled for November 30, 2016 at 7 pm in meeting room 4.

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

Vote: 6 to 0

The meeting ended at 8:32 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Whittemore, Earth Removal Secretary