## Earth Removal Committee Minutes of 5/30/18

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

Nauen and J. Shurtleff

Absent:

D. Ward

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

**Review of Minutes of the Previous Meeting** 

J. Nauen motioned to approve the minutes of 4/25/18 as written, second by M. Harrison and the remaining members were in agreement. Unanimous.

Vote: 3 to 2 (abstentions; R. Ironimo and J. Shurtleff)

**Public hearing SLT - Spring Street** 

Chairman Garretson stated to the audience the protocol to have the applicant present the project and then the public would be allowed to discuss. He further stated the purpose of the Earth Removal Committee; to address the orderly removal of material in trucks and truck traffic. Mr. Peter Opochinski, owner and Mr. Jason Martin, General Manager of SLT Construction Corp. began the discussion by stating that Mass DOT invited a bid on the property and that they plan to close on the property in the the middle of June. The property represents a 40 acre parcel of land of which 20 acres is in Carver and the remaining 20 is located in Plympton. Mr. Opochinski informed that a previous permit was issued on the property and that 10% of the trees have already been cleared. He further indicated that he would like to remove surplus sand and gravel in three (3) phases where he would like to remove 573,000 cubic yards of material; 260,000 cubic yards would be removed in Plympton. He stated that he would like to accomplish a 1300 foot road and develop buildings of condominiums and storage similar to those on Commerce Way. Chairman Garretson inquired about a 3 to 1 slope as the general normal angle. He also informed the applicants that he requests one phase to be completed before starting another. Mr. Opochin agreed to that condition. Discussion ensued regarding dust control, entrance and exit, signage

and truck traffic. Mr. Opochinski stated that he has three trucks for dust control and Mr. Martin stated that he will provide the signage. Chairman Garretson stated that dust control would be a condition of the permit. Mr. Opochinski requested 50 trucks per day and mentioned that he does not presently have a market however he would be using the material as well. Chairman Garretson stated that noise can be an issue and suggested new white noise alarms; Mr. Opochinski agreed to investigate. Hours of operation were stated as Monday through Friday from 7 am - 4 pm and one half day on Saturdays. Mr. Oposhinski stated that the highway to the fence would remain the same, grass plantings with grass and no removal near the road after questions from the public. He also explained that the natural vegetation on his side would not be staying. Chairman Garretson discussed the seed slope requirement from the Massachusetts DOT as being 3" of loam then seeding. Mr. Opochinski stated that he could hydro seed and take out rocks. Mr. Opochinski also described the proposed buildings and that he will be working with the Planning Department. Chairman Garretson reviewed the fees as .25 cents per yard in quarterly payments to the Town of Carver. Mr. Oppchinski stated the engineer forecasted 573,00 cubic yards however some figures may change. Mr. Martin stated the figures resulting from a soil report forecast and Mr. Opochinski stated 6 inches of top soil were used on the report. Chairman Garretson requested an update on the engineering plans to include a buffer to protect High Street, the breakdown of phases by yardage and evidence of lineal on the left side of the plan and minimal on the right side of the plan. Chairman Garretson stated that he will continue the hearing in order to have the updated plans on record with the permit. The Committee agreed to continue the hearing on June 5th, 2018 in Meeting Room 4. The hearing ended at 7:50 pm.

## Review of Spring site visits with project updates

The Committee agreed to review at the next meeting.

## **Other Business**

Chairman Garretson introduced Mr. Diogenes who was present to discuss the John's Pond Project. Mr. Diogenes discussed his concern with the work bordering wetlands and the road that was cut between them. Chairman Garretson informed him that the permit holder intends

to increase the watering hole to expand his watering for the bog. He further explained that he received permission by the Agricultural Organization know as the NRCS. Chairman Garretson stated that the Conservation Department has been involved, that the Earth Removal Committee's involvement is with the trucks that enter the roadways and that agriculture is different. Discussion ensued regarding another active permit, Mr. Fernandes, which is near completion. General discussion of various by laws and policies in other surrounding towns occured.

## <u>Adjourn</u>

The next meeting (continuation of SLT hearing) is scheduled for June 5, 2018 at 7 pm in meeting room 4.

J. Shurtleff motioned to adjourn, seconded by M. Harrison and the remaining Committee members were in agreement. Unanimous. Vote: 5 to 0

The meeting ended at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Whittemore, Earth Removal Secretary