

Earth Removal Committee
Minutes of 8/28/18

In attendance: Chairman J. Garretson, M. Harrison, R. Ieronimo J. Nauen and D. Ward

Absent: J. Shurtleff

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review of previous meeting minutes

J. Nauen motioned to approve the minutes of 7/25/18 as amended referencing the Committees' authorization to the Chairman to allow up to \$200,000 (no transfer has occurred at present) seconded by M. Harrison and the remaining members were in agreement.

Vote: 3 to 2 (Abstentions)

Review of DPW funds transfer request for Road Repair

Chairman Garretson corresponded to Mr. Woods via email where he will provide the exact amount of his request to transfer from the ERC account to the road repair account.

Update on ER activity in town

Chairman Garretson discussed an inquiry from Selectmen Mr. Dunham as he received a report of activity near Walker Road at 6:30 am.

Chairman Garretson investigated and had no findings. He also stated that the Environmental Scientist, Ms. Monroe, visited the site of Mr. Arnold and did not feel that they were out of bounds. M. Harrison reported sightings of trucks on Plymouth Street. R. Ieronimo will investigate Cranebrook and will also inquire to Mr. Hannula regarding the Decas project. He will request a formal letter of their intentions.

Review and discussion of other towns ER bylaws

Chairman Garretson will provide a packet of information documenting Halifax, Plympton and Plymouth earth removal bylaws for the next meeting for review.

Other Business

Chairman Garretson stated that the Planning Department has \$196,000 in grant funding to address invasive species affecting the town. The Committee discussed invasive species; previous issues at Samspons Pond, the difficulty combating them as well as resources and timing involved toward mitigation. A Sub Committee is in the process of being formed where representatives from Conservation, the Board of Health and Earth Removal were suggested.

J. Nauen motioned to assign D. Ward to the Invasive Species Sub-Committee seconded by R. Ieronimo - unanimous.

Vote: 5 to 0

J. Nauen inquired about solar opportunities similar to those in Plymouth and discussion ensued regarding economic development and the financial advantages. A group is looking into the bylaw and want to be mindful of residential homes.

Adjourn

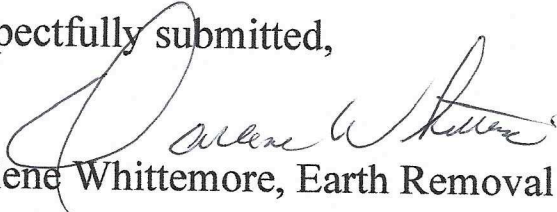
The next meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2018 at 7 pm in meeting room 4.

D. Ward motioned to adjourn, seconded by R. Ieronimo and the remaining Committee members were in agreement. Unanimous.

Vote: 5 to 0

The meeting ended at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Darlene Whittemore, Earth Removal Secretary