Earth Removal Committee Minutes of 4/27/16

In attendance:

Chairman J. Garretson, M. Harrison

J. Nauen and J. Shurtleff

Absent:

R. Ieronimo, D. Ward

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 p.m. by Chairman Garretson Review of previous meeting minutes:

J. Nauen motioned to approve minutes of 3/30/16 with a name correction from Mr. Judson to Mr. Santarpia, seconded by M. Harrison and the remaining members were in agreement. Unanimous.

Vote: 4 to 0

Santarpia Public Hearing:

Public Hearing called to order 7:18 pm.

Mr. Santarpia discussed the need to open up his small water hole on his 5 acre property to increase water capacity. Chairman Garreston stated that he viewed a modest enlargement as seen on a previous site visit. He indicated that the truck road would need to be modified to handle the truck traffic. Mr. Santarpia requested to move 4000 to 5000 yards of material with approximately 200 truck loads overall. He requested up to 20 trucks per day. Chairman Garretson suggested that he contact the Earth Removal Committee if he felt the need to increase the volume of trucks. Chairman Garretson stated the hours of operation to be Monday through Friday from 7 am to 4 pm and from 7 am - 12 noon on Saturday. Darlene Whittemore will provide the bus schedule so that the truck company can be mindful of that time frame.

J. Nauen motioned to approve the permit for Mr. Santarpia for the removal 5,000 yards of material, 20 trucks per day, operating hours as Monday through Friday between 7 am to 4 pm being cautious near the bus schedule to be provided and 7 am - 12 noon on Saturdays seconded by M. Harrison and the remaining committee members were in agreement. Unanimous.

Vote: 4 to 0

End of hearing at 7:31pm

Review of Earth Removal Account:

The report was reviewed. D. Whittemore to make a correction to the report.

Site visit schedule and report on earlier visits:

New Business:

Discussion about Mr. Remes concern over discoloration of water on his property, pumping of swamp on the Decas property as well as the compost area and the distance between the active site and his property. Chairman Garretson indicated that a test of the water would be appropriate and that he would contact Mr. Decas and recommend that he send a sample to Analytical Balance. The history of the area was also discussed and the need to determine if the discoloration is a contaminant. Chairman Garretson stated that he would meet with Scott Hannula in the morning regarding the issue.

J. Nauen motioned to act on the Decas project for a water test done by Analytic Balance to ensure that there is no danger to the environment, seconded by M. Harrison and the remaining Committee Members were in agreement. Unanimous.

Vote: 4 to 0

Steve Ward was in attendance to discuss the Logan Permit as he purchased the property and would like to finish the project. He indicated that the removal will clean up the site and finance rebuilding of another bog in the back. He stated the activity would be to move material within the property. He further stated that he had a neighborhood meeting with the abutters and that the residents were supporting his efforts to clean up the property. The need for clean water was also mentioned.

J. Nauen motioned to reactivate the permit from the Rocky Meadow Development and turn over to Steve Ward under the existing order of conditions, seconded by M. Harrison and the remaining members were in agreement.

Vote: 4 to 0

The next meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2016 at 7 pm.

Adjourn:

M. Harrison motioned to adjourn the meeting, J. Nauen seconded the motioned and the remaining members were in agreement. Unanimous.

Vote: 4 to 0

The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Whittemore, Earth Removal Secretary