Earth Removal Committee Minutes of 7/9/20

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

J. Nauen & J. Shurtleff

Absent: D. Ward

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

Minutes of previous Meetings

Mr. Nauen motioned to approve the Minutes of 7/1/20 with a correction to identify Gary Weston, Mr. Ieronimo seconded his motion and the remaining Committee Members were in agreement. Unanimous Vote: 5 to 0

Public Hearing: A.D. Makepeace-off Federal Rd

Mr. Madden, representative of GAF Engineering, presented plans, hearing documentation and stated the requested removal activity to be located off Federal Road across from the Ocean Spray Receiving Station. He further identified on the plan a lot that was created last year to include a 150 foot buffer. Chairman Garretson inquired about land clearing and Mr. Madden responded that the land would be undisturbed and contains isolated wetlands. He further discussed a multi phased approach outlined on the map as Areas. Chairman Garretson asked about the time frame on the phases and Mr. Madden's response was related to the number of trucks based upon 250 working days annually and projects a one year time frame for Area 1. The plan is to excavate the site to elevation and then construct a bog and watering hold to include low flow dykes in a large flat area. Discussion ensued regarding further removal to include 896 yards over a 3 year time period, tree cutting limitations to reduce noise levels and inspections performed by the Committee before commencement of another phase. The President of the Cranberry Village Association spoke on behalf of the Residents and expressed their concerns over the truck traffic and siting while exiting the park on Cranberry and Federal Roads. She indicated traffic was the worst in five years and mentioned noticing early hours of activity before

7 am. Chairman Garretson stated that the traffic may be representative of other activity not included in a permitted structure. He further stated that the purpose of the Earth Removal Funding was for road repair. Chairman Garretson said that the staging of trucks was not permitted. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of Cranberry Road to be repaved. Mr. Kane of Makepeace stated that he would address the hours of operation with Mr. Gibbs and coordinate clearing vegetation near the exits to improve the view while exiting Cranberry Village and will contact the Association. Chairman Garretson inquired about the total scope of the project and Mr. Madden's response was for six or seven years.

Mr. Ieronimo motioned to approve the AD Makepeace Permit request with the normal conditions, hours of operation, using caution near bus time, truck rules, road maintenance along with discussions for 50 trucks per day, placement of signage, increased line of site exiting Cranberry Village, right turn kept to a minimum and inspections before moving to the next phase; Mr. Nauen seconded the motion - unanimous.

Vote: 5 to 0

The hearing ended at 7:51 pm.

Review of Earth Removal Account

none

Activity Discussion

Mr. Foley's Order of Conditions were approved and Ms. Whittemore will deliver them to the Town Clerk as soon as possible. Chairman Garretson stated that he and Mr. Ieronimo visited the site of Mr. Van Johnson where they witness progress. Mr. Ieronimo estimated about 60 percent of the large pile was gone, the screen plant was shut down, water trucks were in production, the stumps were separated and the plateau was flattened. Chairman Garretson stated that goal was set for completion of the conditions by July 31, 2020 or the permit will be shut down. He further stated the he would communicate pictures and facts to the abutters.

Spring site visit schedule

none

New Business

none

Adjourn

The next meeting is scheduled for August 4th at 7 pm in the Carver Middle School Auditorium.

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

The meeting ended at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Whittemore, Earth Removal Secretary