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# Town of Northborough

Earthwork Board

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 16, 2017

63 Main Street

Conference Room B

7:00 PM

**Members Present:** Janet Sandstrom (Chair), Anthony Ziton, Tony Pini, Tom Beals

**Members Absent:** Fred Philcox

**Others Present:** Fred Litchfield (Town Engineer), see attached Sign-In Sheet

At 7:00 p.m. Ms. Sandstrom called the meeting to order.

Review Meeting Minutes of April 19, 2017 and July 26, 2017 – Tabled to the September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Public Hearing (continued):**

New Permit: Mali Realty I, LLC

25 West Main Street

Map 63, Parcel 154 and 166

Antonio Santiago (XTM Construction), Gary & Singh Dhaliwal (Northboro Liquors), Paul Shattuck (17 W. Main Street) and the owners of the building were in attendance.

Mr. Santiago said the driveway was done today. He is waiting for the site contractor to finish the footings and foundations so he can finish the framing and do the siding and roofing on the right side. After the footings and foundations are in place, funds will be released so he can continue to work. Ms. Carbonneau stated that Mr. Santiago is the second contractor; Waterfall Construction & Landscaping was the original contractor. Multiple delays were encountered; Mr. Santiago is working with the subcontractor to continue the process. They are continuing to work with Waterfall Construction; Rodrico will do the footings on the Bank of America side this week. Once done, they can move ahead quickly.

Mr. Litchfield said the outcome of the last meeting was that Mr. Santiago was to provide a schedule showing the work he was going to do, make sure the neighbor's access to either of their businesses was not impeded, and expedite the process as best he could; no schedule was received; he did bring the owners to the meeting as requested. Mr. Santiago again stated that he will have funds after the framing is done. Ms. Carbonneau did talk with them about the driveway and the fence coming down; the driveway had to be paved before the fence can come down. The back that goes to Gale Street will be left open.

The foundation on the Bank of America side is supposed to be done this week. Ms. Carbonneau stated that if Waterfall cannot do what is needed within a reasonable amount of time, they will hire another company. Mr. Litchfield asked if the site would be buttoned after the framing is done; Ms. Carbonneau said the drainage still needs to be done. Mr. Litchfield asked if they had a schedule from Waterfall and a commitment to finish the foundation and drainage work in the back. Ms. Carbonneau stated they are concentrating on footings and the cement for the foundations so Mr. Santiago can finish what he needs to do on time and continue to do work as he was supposed to. She was asked if she had the ability to create a schedule of events to include Waterfall finishing their commitment and Mr. Santiago finishing his work and

a contingency plan in the event that after x amount of days if Waterfall doesn't perform, another contractor will be in by a certain amount of time; she can but needs some leniency. The board and neighbors would like a schedule with dates in place. The board would like assurance that they have a "drop dead" date if Waterfall does not comply and a date when someone else will take over. Ms. Carbonneau said there are people lined up; the board would like it in writing.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 20<sup>th</sup>. On August 28<sup>th</sup> a schedule to include a "drop dead" date if Waterfall can't perform is to be submitted to the board. Mr. Beals felt that if the schedule is not received on time, the bond should be increased. Mr. Pini was disappointed that a schedule was not received as promised at the last meeting. Ms. Sandstrom understands that delays happen with construction, but the board needs to know what is going on. Mr. Shattuck said he wants to see the project done and completed. Progress has been made since the last meeting and he thanked the board for moving it along. The Dhaliwals agreed with Mr. Shattuck and wants to be good neighbors. Mr. Beals made a motion to continue the hearing to September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7PM; Mr. Pini seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

**Bond Releases/Reduction Discussion:**

Kendall Homes, 150 Church Street, 55/60 – Tabled to the September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Having no further business to discuss, Mr. Beals made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Ziton seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Rich  
Board Secretary