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Town of Northborough

Earthwork Board

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 19, 2018

63 Main Street

Selectmen's Meeting Room

7:00 PM

Members Present: Fred Philcox, Tony Pini, Ronald Doucett

Members Absent: Janet Sandstrom (Chair), Tom Beals

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

At 7:15 p.m. Mr. Pini called the meeting to order.

Review Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2018 – Mr. Pini made a motion to approve the November 28, 2018 Meeting Minutes; Mr. Philcox seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Public Hearing – New Permit:

Abu Construction, Inc.
222 West Main Street
Map 75, Parcel 170

The applicant requested a continuance to the January meeting. Mr. Philcox made a motion to continue the public hearing to January 16, 2019; Mr. Pini seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Public Hearing – New Permit:

Northborough Land Realty Trust
0 Bartlett Street (150 Hayes Memorial Drive)
Map 51, Parcel 3

Scott Weiss (The Gutierrez Company) and David Robinson (Allen and Major) were present. A 167,000 square foot warehouse is proposed. It is accessed off of Hayes Memorial Drive in Marlborough. The Wachusett Aqueduct splits the property. The driveway is in Marlborough; the building is in Northborough. The grading and earthwork will be contained on the site with the exception of the topsoil. They have received permits and approvals from the Conservation Commission, Planning Board and Natural Heritage Endangered Species Program.

Mr. Robinson said they will excavate, strip the top soil, subsoil, stockpile, and bring in suitable fill for the building and parking areas. Approximately 34,000 cubic yards of unsuitable material will be excavated. When asked about the drainage, Mr. Robinson said it flows north from the site to the two catch basins; it will handle the 100-year storm; the rooftop will be white sheets for clean runoff.

Mr. Litchfield prepared a draft decision and included a condition (and recommended) that because The Gutierrez Company owns so much land in the area, that construction vehicles enter and exit through Hayes Memorial. He would like to minimize traffic on Bartlett Street as much as possible and have them refrain from going onto their other sites through the woods and out on Bartlett Street potentially causing other erosion. Mr. Litchfield asked if there was a bond for the earthwork being done on the Marlborough side; Mr. Weiss replied that Marlborough does not require a bond. Mr. Litchfield asked that the as-built plan include the Marlborough work. He also asked about the sewer line from Algonquin to Hayes Memorial. Mr. Robinson said the existing force main from the

Algonquin school runs through where they are proposing the basins. It will follow the utility corridor, down the driveway, and tie into the sewer. Mr. Litchfield said that was an agreement with the DPW so the access to the sewer line would be maintained throughout the process. The line will be relocated and the easement recorded so the town will have access to it in perpetuity. The bond was estimated to be \$97,000. Mr. Pini made a motion to issue an Earthworks Permit for 150 Hayes Memorial Drive with a bond amount of \$97,000; Mr. Doucett seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Henry Squillante (72 Crestwood Road) asked what is happening on Bearfoot Road. Mr. Litchfield explained that the owner is developing four or more residential units on his own property. He does have permits (which expire twelve months from the date of issue), and is doing the work himself.

Bond Release/Reduction Discussions – None tonight.

January, February and March 2019 Meeting Dates – With some members travelling during these months, Mr. Litchfield will send an email asking for attendance and reschedule as necessary.

Wednesday, January 16, 2019 was confirmed as the next meeting date.

Having no further business to discuss, Mr. Philcox made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Pini seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Rich
Board Secretary