Earth Removal Board Meeting Minutes March 26, 2013

Members Present Robert J. Barrell, David Eckhardt, John O' Brien, Vincent Vignaly

Members Absent Robert Ash

Also Present John Fransworth,

Chairman John O' Brien opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. The minutes of the previous Earth Removal Board held on February 12, 2013 were read and approved as amended on a motion by Mr. Eckhardt seconded by Mr. Vignaly and approved by unanimous vote

Chairman John O'Brien opened the continued public hearing (Request for earth removal permit by Baldarelli Brothers from 12&20 Laurel Street and &38 Almanac Way) at 7 05 PM

Mr. Farnsworth presented the Board with a revised plan no. 10-03 dated 2/14/2013. This revised plan shows new grading with an area disturbed of approximately one acre with volume projections of 18,000 cuyds. The plan also addresses the 50 ft property line offset. Mr. Vignaly noted that the proposed contours shown on the new plan need to be corrected to reflect an unaltered 30' buffer on the east side and a 50' buffer on the west side. This will also change the volume of earth removed.

Mr. Farnsworth stated that he has spoken to Cynthia Fish of AA Transportation Co., Inc. regarding the school bus schedule. There is one school bus making two trips in the AM between 7 and 7: 45 and in the PM two trips between 2: 15 and 3:30. A copy of the schedule was made available to the Board. Mr. Fransworth said that they would accommodate the buses in their trucking schedule.

The additional two borings requested by the Board have not been done. It may be necessary to go before the Zoning Board of Appeals to obtain a variance .regarding the distance to ground water. Mr. Fransworth has yet to speak to the Building Inspector to determine if the zoning prohibits this size earth removal operation

The Board needs a narrative review for reclamation Presently the site had sparse vegetation The site has little or no topsoil. Mr. Eckhard suggested a second sheet for the closure of the site with a narrative. and set of specifications Mr. Farnsworth suggested the use of manufactured topsoil but would provide details for dust control, site stabilization and final cover conditions.

In conclusion the Earth Removal Board needs the following

1. two additional test wells

2. specifications on final closure details on cover, dust control

3. storm water permit application

5. Determination from Building Inspector of zoning compliance and variance needs

6. hours of operation

7. revised plan with corrected grading and seasonal high groundwater elevations

Mr. Vignaly moved to continue the hearing to May 7, 2013 at 7PM seconded by Mr. Eckhardt and approved by all

Mr. Echardt moved to close the meeting at 8:05, seconded by Mr. Barrell and approved by all.

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Robert J. Barrell Clerk