



EWB Minutes
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Town of Northborough

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**Earthwork Board
Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2019
Selectmen's Meeting Room B
7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Janet Sandstrom (Chair), Tony Pini, Tom Beals, Ronald Doucett

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 October 23, 2019 – Mr. Pini made a motion to approve the October 23, 2019 Meeting Minutes; Mr. Beals seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Public Hearing (continued) – New Permit:

Isomedix Operations, Inc.
425 Whitney Street
Map 15, Parcel 8

The applicant has not yet received final approval from the Planning Board and requested a continuance. Mr. Pini made a motion to accept the request for continuance; Mr. Doucett seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Public Hearing (continued) – Renewal Permit:

240 Turnpike, Inc.
1C Belmont Street
Map 109, Parcel 2

Mo Bayou submitted the green cards that were not submitted at the last meeting. He would like to renew the permit until he has a buyer/tenant for the property. Mr. Litchfield explained, as at the last meeting, that Mr. Bayou's project is entitled to be considered redevelopment within the Conservation Commission rules because his lot and the impervious cover existed prior to 1996 when the riverfront area was added in the Wetlands Protection Act; he requested the board allow

him to renew the permit. Mr. Pini made a motion to renew the Earthwork Permit for 1C Belmont Street; Mr. Doucett seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Public Hearing – Renewal Permit:

Craig Callahan
Off Washburn Street
Map 37, Parcels 93 & 94

Abutter notification and tear sheets were provided. Mr. Callahan was present for a renewal permit for the five-lot residential subdivision. Two homes were existing but come off another street; there is a home under construction for their use on the new roadway, Harrington Lane; the remaining two lots are approved for building, but there are no plans to build at this time. Regarding the roadway, the preparation for the binder coat (gravel) was completed, compacted and graded; the asphalt pavement was recently completed. Ernie Wolshin (69 Washburn Street) asked about the issue that was discussed last year, the water accumulating on the wetlands. It will remain there for some time before it will drain across the street; is there sufficient land to absorb the water? Who will clean out the pipe to make sure it will not clog? Mr. Litchfield explained that the subdivision has a detention basin that is designed to accommodate all water runoff from the subdivision itself through catch basins; Mr. Callahan is required to make the drainage system operable. When the street is made public, the DPW will clean out the drainage system within the right of way. Mr. Pini made a motion to renew the Earthwork Permit for Off Washburn Street; Mr. Beals seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Public Hearing – Renewal Permit:

Northborough Land Realty Trust (The Gutierrez Company)
330-350 Bartlett Street
Map 67, Parcel 6

Scott Weiss (The Gutierrez Company) and Dan Feeney (Beals and Thomas) were in attendance. A permit was issued last November; construction started in the spring. The vast majority of the site is stabilized. The project is hoped to be completed in 2020 (late summer). Mr. Doucett asked how they prepare the snow storage areas for any oil or grease that could potentially get in the snow. Mr. Weiss said it would stay on the paved area; most of the drainage system is in. Mr. Litchfield explained that the snow storage areas are designed so it runs back towards the pavement to the drainage system under the pavement. Mr. Beals made a motion to renew the Earthwork Permit for 330-350 Bartlett Street; Mr. Pini seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Public Hearing – Renewal Permit:

Kimball Sand
200 Southwest Cutoff
Map 106, Parcel 3

Mr. Litchfield received the tear sheets and the application and indicated the applicant intended to appear at the Board's January meeting if the Board is not going to meet in December. Mr. Pini made a motion to continue the hearing to January 22, 2020; Mr. Beals seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

Bond Release/Reduction Discussions:

Herb Chambers (36 Belmont Street) Permit # 2019-2 – Mr. Litchfield received all information pertaining to the Earthwork Permit. Mr. Beals made a motion to release the \$5,000 bond for Herb Chambers (36 Belmont Street); Mr. Doucett seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

FYI... Mr. Litchfield commented that Lexus has applied for a similar situation (additional 1,700 square foot display area and 1,100 square foot service bay). They were before the Planning Board and decided not to do the service bay. They may not need to come to the Earthwork Board if they fall beneath the threshold.

Northborough Land Realty (301 Bartlett Street) Permit # 2018-8 – Mr. Litchfield received all information pertaining to the Earthwork Permit. Mr. Pini made a motion to release the \$53,000 bond for Northborough Land Realty (301 Bartlett Street); Mr. Beals seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

FYI:

Mr. Litchfield reported that they may have a replacement for Melanie who has been graciously filling in at meetings and in the office when available since she resigned in July due to a work conflict. He asked the members what Wednesdays they would like to meet, the 3rd or 4th; the members are flexible with either one. Mr. Litchfield will see what works for the new person.

There no applications for the December 18, 2019 meeting; January 22, 2020 was confirmed as the next meeting date.

Mr. Doucett said he will not be available in January and February; Mr. Beals will not be available the 4th Wednesday in February.

Having no further business to discuss, Mr. Pini made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Beals seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Rich
Board Secretary