

Woodstock Planning Board Meeting 06.08.2015

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Excavation Site Visitation: 5:30 PM.

Site Visitations: Woodstock Sand & Gravel, Devine, R&E Leasing & Potato Hill.

Board Members Present: Bonnie Ham, Chair*, Gil Rand (Selectman Representative), Scott Rice (Vice-Chair), Pat Griffin*, Jay Polimeno, Jeff Ingalls, Linda Hartman*. Alternate: Mike Donahue

Excavation Pit Representative Present: Stacey Thomson /Woodstock Sand & Gravel

Meeting called to order: 6:30 PM by Bonnie Ham (Chair)

Roll Call attendance by Chair: Present (*):

Regular Members: Bonnie Ham, Chair*, Gil Rand (Selectman Representative)*, Scott Rice (Vice-Chair), Pat Griffin*, Jay Polimeno*, Jeff Ingalls*, Linda Hartman*. Alternate: Mike Donahue

Public: Harry Burgess & Stacey Thomson re: Excavation Permit; Kristen Bushway, John Saunders, Gene Lehouiller, and Gail Lehouiller re: Rocks Village/Caulder Construction; Connie Martell, Rex Caulder.

Minutes of May 11, 2015: Linda made a motion and Gil seconded to accept the regular meeting minutes of May 11, 2015 as written. Jay abstained, all other members present voted in favor of the minutes as written.

Minutes of May 18, 2015: Gil made a motion and Linda seconded to accept the continued excavation hearing minutes of May 18, 2015 as written. Jeff and Jay abstained, all other members present voted in favor of the minutes as written.

Reading of communications directed to the Board:

Notice of Conference on Eminent Domain

NCC Hearing on June 9, 2015 regarding draft of NCC regional transportation plan.

Above items were read for informational purposes only.

Public Participation/Informational:

None at this time.

Report of officers and committees:

Gil reported that Pennichuck Water Systems has been selected to administer the water usage system and that they have been able to fix the leak in the water main located on Main Street without having to do any excavation.

Old business:

The Town Office in Sugar Hill let the board know that at least 5 towns are now interested in Onsite Training for Planning and Zoning Boards. They will be in further communication regarding location, cost & time.

Unfinished business:

Devine Bond: Bond Renewal received on June 8, 2015.

Other Business:

Board discussed procedure to address possible changes in the Excavation Regulations. Board decided to have each member read over current regulations adopted in 2006 and the draft of updated regulations created in 2011 and report back at the July meeting with their suggestions.

Continued Hearing on D Sand & Gravel Excavation Permit called to order: 6:45 PM by Bonnie Ham (Chair)

Chair noted that hearing also has been held on May 11 and May 18. The company plans to remove up to 17,000 cubic yards of material, the crusher will be located in the staging area on a level site. Some activity in the pit has occurred since the May 11, 2015 hearing. Stacey noted that he has a legal intent to excavate and is not

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processing on-site. He felt that his intent to excavate allowed activity while some board members felt that no activity should occur until the permit is approved. Gil and Pat met with Mary Pinkham and received advice from her on excavation regulations in general. After discussion, Board determined that intent to excavate is not a permit. Stacey questioned the amount of the reclamation bond. The Excavation Regulations require a \$10,000 bond per acre, prorated.

Clarification was provided on an excavation permit and a permit for a site as incidental to construction. Any amount may be blasted, but more than 1,000 cubic yards cannot be removed in an incidental to construction permit. The hours of operation were discussed and Stacey felt that they would be operating from 6:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday-Friday with occasional Saturday hours if necessary.

Prior to approval of the permit, the Board is requiring that proof of bond insurance be received in the Town Office, all other requirements have been fulfilled. The Planning Board will then hold an emergency meeting to approve the permit before Bonnie can sign the maps. Pat suggested the Board consult an attorney in regards to the wording of operational hours. This will not impact the current permit request.

Hearing closed at 7:30 PM

Return to Meeting:

Public Participation:

Kristen Bushway of 9 Rocks Village Dr. spoke about her issues with the excavation occurring under an Incidental to Construction Permit which is mainly issues with noise, hours of operation, and the number of years it is taking to complete. An Incidental Permit covers landscaping, driveway construction, and lot clearance necessary to build. In her meeting with Gil and Pat, Mary Pinkham informed them that there is currently no law or regulation being broken. Ms. Bushway, Mr. Saunders and the Lehouillers requested that the board, in reviewing the Excavation Regulations, consider time limits, reclamation plans and quantity of material to be removed in regards to an Incidental to Construction permit. Board stated that any questions of public safety would be a police issue.

It was requested that the agenda be posted monthly on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Next regular meeting date: 07.13.15 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Boyle, Secretary