

**Executive Minutes
Stow Board of Selectmen
October 14, 2014**

Present at the meeting that was held at Stow Town Building were Brian Burke, Donald Hawkes, Charles Kern and Thomas Ryan.

Absent: James Salvie

Also present were William Wrigley, Town Administrator and Maureen Trunfio, Administrative Assistant. Mr. Kern called the meeting to order at 8:15 PM.

Fine for Non-Permitted Earth Removal at 211 Randall Road

Mr. Wrigley informed the Board that he received an email from Mr. Smith's attorney, Henry Lane, dated October 14, 2014 declining to accept the fine of \$8,300, discussed at the Board's prior meeting and dictated by the Bylaw. Mr. Lane's letter of October 10, 2014 stated that Mr. Smith would be willing to pay the sum of \$2,500. Mr. Lane purports that the cost of restoration will exceed the amount Mr. Smith was paid by Bentley Builder for the purchase of the fill from the site.

At its meeting on October 28, 2014, the Board will vote to fine Mr. Smith the full amount of \$16,500. If necessary, a payment plan will be determined by the Building Commissioner after the fine has been levied.

38 Adams Drive Property

John Anderson has offered to sell the town two parcels of land at 38 Adams Drive for a total price of \$239K. One is a 4.3 acre parcel on which the water storage tank is located; the other is an abutting 19.8 acre parcel that is primarily wetland. Assessor Dotty Wilbur has assessed the property value over \$300K.

The Fire Chief once expressed interest in the 250K gallon water tank on the property, but has reconsidered given its appreciable distance off of Adams Drive. Chief Landry has stated that for \$55K he can purchase and install a more centrally located 30K gallon cistern in the Harvard Acres area that is closer to the road to serve as a convenient water source.

The Conservation Commission has discussed the parcel and is not interested in the parcel given its considerable price. They see greater value in an alternative piece of land (Dunn Property) they are pursuing in conjunction with the Stow Conservation Trust. The Dunn Property, off West Acton Road, consists of 24 acres of undevelopable upland/wetland for a price of \$46,500. The Commission might consider Anderson's property if it were closer to that price point.

Adjournment

At 8:37 PM Mr. Hawkes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Burke, aye, Hawkes, aye, Mr. Kern, aye, and Mr. Ryan, aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Trunfio

Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen