

TOWN OF STOW  
PLANNING BOARD

Minutes of the October 2, 2018 Planning Board Meeting

Planning Board Members Present: Lori Clark, Margaret Costello, Len Golder, John Colonna-Romano

Voting Associate Member: Megan Birch-McMichael

Associate Member: Mark Jones

Absent: Karen Kelleher

Lori Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**Paving at the Collings Foundation**

*Present:*

Bob Collings, Sr., Collings Foundation

Rob Collings, Jr., Collings Foundation

Stephen O'Connell, Andrews Survey & Engineering

Lori Clark stated that this meeting was called based on a request from the applicant and after the applicant had submitted an Erosion Control Special Permit application.

Stephen O'Connell said that abutters of the Collings Foundation in Hudson and Stow had concerns over the amount of dust from the access road. The road currently has recycled asphalt pavement (RAP) which could be used as a base for hot mix asphalt (HMA). Stephen O'Connell said that the Town of Hudson denied use of de-icing materials, which could control dust. Stephen O'Connell said that he was conservative in his stormwater calculations when designing the road, as the RAP was calculated as HMA. Stephen O'Connell said that over time, the RAP would become compacted and perform like HMA. Lori Clark said that the Board received a letter from Sue Carter of Places Associates, and she confirmed that the calculations are adequate.

Lori Clark asked why there is dust if the road has RAP. Stephen O'Connell said that RAP is a dry product, so there is no liquid aggregate. Bob Collings, Sr. said that after the dust complaints they used a soybean oil to coat the road, though that was an inconsistent solution and caused potholes.

Lori Clark asked how much of the access road is in Stow. Stephen O'Connell said that in Stow, the road is just shy of 2,000 feet, and in Hudson it is over 2,200 feet. Stephen

O'Connell said that the Conservation Commission approved the paving subject to the Planning Board's approval.

Len Golder asked how long remediation of the quarry may take. Stephen O'Connell said that it may be a 2- 3 week process and that the issue is on the Conservation Commission's agenda for their October 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, as there was work done within the 100 foot buffer.

Len Golder asked where the material from the quarry site went. Bob Collings Sr. said that it was used on site, except for two truckloads which went to the Town Beach.

John Colonna-Romano asked how the Board can be confident that the remediation will be followed through on. Bob Collings Sr. said that the background work to prepare the Erosion Control Special Permit application was happening, but not communicated properly. Stephen O'Connell added that the issue is now in the legal zoning enforcement process.

The Board noted the need of remediation and stated their dissatisfaction with the application for the Erosion Control Special Permit arriving after their stated deadline.

The Board agreed that it would be detrimental to abutters if the access road were not paved.

*Len Golder moved to allow the change in paving material from Recycled Asphalt Pavement to Hot Mix Asphalt.*

*John Colonna-Romano Seconded.*

**VOTED: 4-0 Unanimously in favor (Lori Clark, Margaret Costello, Len Golder, John Colonna-Romano)**

**Meeting Adjourned.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Oorthuys