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## **Avon Planning Board**

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**Date:** June 18, 2020  
**Members Attending:** Charles P. Comeau, Robert Pillarella, Charles Comeau, Jr.,  
**Absent:** Charles Marinelli  
**Also, Present:** Fire Chief Spurr, Robert St. John of Messina

Mr. Charles P. Comeau called the meeting of the Planning Board to order at 7:10 P.M.

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### **Minutes**

n/a

### **Old Business**

n/a

### **New Business:**

#### **Messina – Stockwell Drive Lot 9**

Mr. Robert St. John of Messina discussed his plans for Stockwell Drive Lot 9. He has a contract with Earth Exchange to clean the site which includes removing material, rock crushing, move material off site, blasting, and leveling the site. This will be a six to eight month project. The board asked questions regarding the hours of operation, the level of noise, elevation level, traffic plan (detail if needed), lighting, fencing, and dust concerns. Mr. Robert St. John stated that Messina will limit the hours of operation (typically 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.). This work would be done during the weekdays, not the weekends. In regards to dust concerns, Messina will water to keep the dust down. The board asked about a Safety Plan. Messina will get a complete list of management working the site and a Safety Plan in place. The Planning Board has given Messina a nine month period to complete the project. If longer is needed Messina will have to come back to the Planning Board to extend the special permit.

The Planning Boards requirements and conditions:

(a) Removal and processing operations shall not be conducted closer than 50 feet to a public street.

- (b) All equipment for sorting, washing, crushing, grading, drying, processing and treating, or other operation of machinery shall not be closer than 100 feet to any public street or to any adjoining lot line.
- (c) Off-street parking as required in Article VIII shall be provided.
- (d) Any access to excavated areas or areas in the process of excavation will be adequately posted with "KEEP-OUT-DANGER" signs.
- (e) Any workspace or bank that slopes more than 30% downward adjacent to a public street will be adequately fenced at the top.
- (f) Adequate provision is to be made for drainage during and after the completion of operations.
- (g) Lateral support shall be maintained for all adjacent properties. A maximum rate of slope shall be established by the Planning Board and set out in the special permit.
- (h) The use of explosives shall be done in accordance with the regulations for storage or handling of an explosive as published by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- (i) All operations shall be conducted in such a manner so as to comply with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts regulating water pollution and air pollution.
- (j) The work hours of operation shall be designated by the Planning Board and set out in the special permit.
- (k) A plan for regarding of all or parts of the slopes resulting from such excavation or fill shall be submitted.
- (l) A plan for replacement of at least six inches of topsoil overall excavated, filled, or otherwise disturbed surfaces and seeding with a perennial cover crop, reseeded as necessary to assure uniform growth and soil surface stabilization, shall be submitted.
- (m) A plan for lighting, if night operation is contemplated, shall be submitted.
- (n) Proper provision shall be made for vehicular traffic, service roads, control of entrances and exits to highways.
- (o) Provision shall be made for a substantial fence enclosing the excavation or quarry where any excavation or quarry will extend under original ground level or will have a depth of 10 feet or more and create a slope of more than one foot in two feet. Such fence shall be located 10 feet or more from the edge of the excavation or quarry, and shall be at least six feet in height.
- (p) Provision shall be made for the submission to the Building Inspector of as-built plan so fall final grading and site-improvements.

(q) The Planning Board may require the posting of a performance bond, in such sum as it may determine to be reasonably necessary, in order to insure compliance with the restrictions here inset forth, and such other restrictions, conditions and safeguards as may be imposed by the Planning Board.

A motion was made by Robert Phillarella to grant the special permit for Stockwell Drive Lot 9, seconded by Charles Comeau, Jr. Vote Unanimous

### **Green Communities/Stretch Code**

The Planning Board discussed the pros and cons regarding the Green Communities/Stretch Code. They would like to get input from other towns that are using the program. The Planning Board will table the discussion until they have further information.

### **Letter of Interest**

The Planning Board received a Letter of Interest for the Clerk Position from Jason L Suzor, Jr. Mr. Suzor, Jr. will be endorsed at the next Planning Board meeting on July 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

### **273 East Main Street – Gas Station**

The Planning Board received the site plans for 273 East Main Street, Avon, MA. The board will review the plans.

The next meeting of the Planning Board will be held July 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Robert Phillarella to adjourn the meeting of the Planning Board at 8:02 p.m. Seconded by Charles Comeau, Jr. Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,

*Chuck Comeau Jr*

Chuck Comeau, Jr., Member  
Avon Planning Board