

**Town of Goshen  
Planning Board  
Minutes of July 7, 2016  
FINAL**

**Planning Board members present:** Alicea Bursey (Chair), Doug O'Clair (Vice-Chair), Bruce Nadeau, Fred Smith

**Others present:** Shaun Carroll, Kathy Carroll, and Dick Fraser

**Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.**

**Review of June Meeting Minutes**

**Doug O'Clair motioned to accept the minutes from June 16, 2016. Bruce Nadeau seconded the motion. All in favor, minutes approved with the correction that was submitted by Doug O'Clair.**

**Discussion of Carroll Pit**

The board discussed the complaints that were made against the Newport Sand and Gravel Co. Inc., by residents of Goshen, regarding the hours of operation and truck traffic. According to the permit of excavation, the hours of operation are 7:00am to 5:00pm on weekdays only. However, it was brought to the boards attention that trucks have been seen leaving the Anderson Pit before 7am with full loads.

Mr. Carroll, along with his wife (Kathy Carroll) and lawyer (Dick Fraser) presented their case before the board and apologized to both the town and the board for the recent concerns. Mr. Carroll made it clear to the board that under no circumstances does he allow the trucks to leave the yard before the hours of operation (7am). Mr. Carroll brought with him, the loader time stamps showing all the activity occurring in recent days. The time stamp log shows that all trucks were/are being loaded after 7am with only one exception which has now been corrected.

Ms. Bursey commented that after reviewing the loader time logs, work in the pit is completed by 4:40pm (20 minutes early) and that most days the work is completed earlier between 4:20pm - 4:30pm. Mr. Carroll stated that ending loading activities early was a decision he made so that Goshen residents and staff could enjoy more of the summer with their families.

Mr. Carroll also brought to the boards attention that to remain compliant with the excavation permit, he must reclaim parts of the pit before he can begin work in other parts of the pit (phase work). The reclamation work also referred to as "phase work" was conducted during the two to three weeks prior to this meeting. During the reclamation period, back-up beepers would have

been heard by the neighborhood; however no loading of materials was occurring during this time. Mr. Carroll and Mr. Fraser also presented the board with images of the grading and reclamation (phase I) and of phase II to show the progress of the pit to date. Mr. Fraser stated that the recent work was part of the reclamation process, and is now mostly complete. Mr. Carroll and Mr. Fraser noted that in this phase of the pit the road around the pit is longer which is resulting on average in one less load per day per truck.

Ms. Bursey stated that the permit itself was lacking definition, leaving room for interpretation and misunderstanding of the exact meaning of “hours of operation”. Ms. Bursey stated that the topic should be revisited during the fall pit in inspection, at which time, the permit should be reworded for clarity to include the definition of “hours of operation” and queuing options for trucks. Abutters will be informed via USPS that the board will be meeting to discuss the permit and that their input is welcomed and encouraged.

**Fred Smith made a motion to discuss the rewording of the permit during the fall pit review meeting. Doug O’Clair seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion passed.**

#### **Other Business**

- Bruce Nadeau made a motion to cancel the second meeting in July; Fred Smith seconded the motion, all were in favor, meeting cancelled.
- The next meeting will be held on the first Thursday of the month - August 4, 2016

**Doug O’Clair motioned to adjourn the meeting; Bruce Nadeau seconded the motion, all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Salinardi  
Recording Secretary