

**Lempster Planning Board  
Minutes of Meeting  
held on  
Monday, August 13, 2018  
at the Town office**

Members present: Bill Rodeschin, Kirt Wirkkala, David Richards, Everett Thurber-ex officio.  
Mark Adams was present via conference call.  
Others: Steve Schneider, Executive Director of UVLSRPC.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Vice Chairman Bill Rodeschin.

**Review of draft Minutes of 7/9/18**

The draft minutes were approved as written.

**Correspondence.**

- Copy of letter dated 7/20/18 from DES to Keith and Della Fulton: Five year Progress Plan received.

**Old Business.**

Steve Fellows Excavation Site – Mark Adams reported that he spoke with Mr. Fellows concerning the reclamation of his pit and the lack of substantial vegetation. It was noted that Mr. Fellows agreed last fall to seed the bank behind his home on Route 10 and there was presently very little vegetation on the slope. Mr. Fellows said he was going to speak with Mr. Carroll of Newport Sand & Gravel.

After discussion, motion was made by David Richards, seconded by Kirt Wirkkala, to send a letter to Mr. Fellows requiring that he provide the Board with a date certain/timeline for the reseeding of the embankment of the pit. Motion passed unanimously. A letter will be drafted and sent.

Excavation Regulations. Mr. Schneider, Executive Director of UVLSRPC was present along with Mark Adams via conference call.

The primary issue, as conveyed by Bill Rodeschin, is understanding what is meant by “incidental to construction.” The Board members informed Mr. Schneider of three instances in Lempster where this phrase may apply. He gave some suggestions: requiring the owner to fill out a short application with a checklist included, adding language to our present building permit, i.e. amount of yards to be removed, etc., or putting conditions on the subdivision application although this may be difficult to enforce. He suggested there should be language in the subdivision regulations that requires that the land be put back in its natural state. Mr. Schneider also recommended that after any or all of the above are instituted the public could be informed via a special Planning Board meeting, posting on the Town website, and internal conversations with town office employees who may be asked questions by the public.

Mr. Schneider agreed that the Board may want to contact Upton & Hatfield law firm for any expert advice.

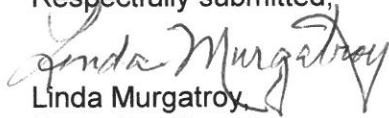
It was agreed that the Board needs to “freshen up” the excavation regulations and insert language in the building permit. Discussion will continue at future meetings.

**New Business.**

None.

Motion made by Kirt Wirkkala and seconded by David Richards to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Murgatroy". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Linda Murgatroy  
Recording Secretary