

June 27, 2018

The continued public hearing was opened at 6:00 p.m. by First Selectman Russell Gray. Selectmen Lincoln Cooper and John Firlik were also present.

Staff present-Don Aubrey and Dale Boisselle.

Also present-Neil Cook, David Held and Frank Lane.

The purpose of the hearing is to accept written and/or verbal comments on an Excavation Application by Tilcon Connecticut, Inc.

The following was submitted into record: Excavation Application, Proposed Gravel Removal Operation Plans, Revised Proposed Gravel Removal Operation Plans, Site Radius Plan dated 3/26/2018 showing nearby land uses, abutter notification mail receipts, a letter outlining preliminary comments from Don Aubrey, Town Engineer, dated 5/3/2018, two (2) letters from David Held of Provost & Rovero, dated 6/27/2018 addressing the restoration bond estimate and consideration of waiver requests, and a Mutual Excavation Agreement between Tilcon, Inc., and Tilcon Connecticut, Inc. (both referred to as "Tilcon") and Charles W. Corson, Jr. (copies on file).

D. Held of Provost & Rovero, Inc. stated that he is representing Tilcon Connecticut, Inc. and that the plans in front of the Board of Selectmen are a complete redesign of the original plans submitted with the application and are based off the comments from the Town Engineer as well as the new regulations that have been put in place over the last fifteen (15) years. D. Held stated that Tilcon Connecticut, Inc. and Charles W. Corson, Jr. have a shared property line and have agreed to allow some clearing and excavation up to the common property line. The Town currently holds a \$166,500 bond on this site and based upon the previous application, the proposal is to keep the same bond amount with the new permit. The following requested waivers were discussed: 1) Current Boundary Survey for the parcel; 2) Topography within 1,000 feet of the project site needs to be shown at 100 or 200 scale; and 3) Maximum number of daily loads/truck trips and hauling hours.

F. Lane stated that Tilcon is a union operation and our usual operating hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

L. Cooper asked if that was six (6) days a week.

F. Lane stated that it would depend on the level of business. Typically it is five (5) but sometimes in peak season if it were required it would be six (6).

L. Cooper stated that he asked because the Saturday hours have been a bone of contention, not with you, but with other gravel operations.

D. Held stated that this is a complete redesign of what was previously permitted because some of the requested changes and changes to the regulations, it was easier to start from scratch rather than trying to polish up what was previously done. The proposed grading provides complete storm water containment for the site. We are proposing to construct three large permanent sediment basins around the site. D. Held also stated that he reviewed this revision with Joe Theroux, Wetlands Agent, and he will present this excavation plan to the Wetland Commission tomorrow night to make sure that the current permit on the site is still appropriate for the changes and there are no anticipated changes based upon that meeting. The proposal is to clear right up to the Corson property line and the another change, from a logistical standpoint, is that fifteen (15) years ago the school did not exist across the street and at D. Aubrey's request, and in keeping with good engineering practices, we have relocated the permanent site driveway to be directly across the street from the school driveway so that there are no conflicts with turning movements. We are proposing for this to stay after the excavation is done to provide access to the site. The grading plans, permanent vegetation, and phases were also discussed. Phase one would include using the existing woods road to gain access to the

site to get down to the bottom, excavate the first large retention basin and work the way up the hill creating the permanent access road. Phase two and three are broken out separately because they also include large sediment basins and we want to stipulate that those basins are to be constructed before excavation of the phase begins. Phases four through six are general notes about flagging the limits of clearing, cutting of the trees, stripping the topsoil and doing the excavation and restoration work. After the completion of Phases one, two and three, that entire site would be completely contained from a storm water perspective. The proposed hours of operation and what was previously approved are 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

R. Gray stated that those hours would likely need to be changed; 6:00 a.m. to at least 7:00 a.m. in order to reduce the noise issues with neighbors.

D. Held discussed the changes to the plan, which include grading changes that create a slight reduction in the total excavation of the site, from 1.5 million cubic yards to just under 1.4 million cubic yards, and buffers in regards to the houses and property lines.

D. Aubrey stated that he had done a quick review of the plans and the plans appear to be complete and he anticipates being able to draft an approval with conditions within a few weeks.

L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to continue the public hearing to Wednesday, July 11, 2018 immediately following the public hearing for Sterling Materials (South) and Sterling Materials (North), beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Room #15 at the Sterling Municipal Building, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco. All voted in favor of the motion.

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Item I. Call to Order: The Special Meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:31 p.m. with Russell Gray, Linclon Cooper and John Firlik.

Staff present-Don Aubrey and Dale Boisselle.

Also present-David Held and Frank Lane.

Item II. Consider & Possible Action on Application for Excavation Permit by Tilcon Connecticut, Inc for Property Located at 0 Sterling Road – Route 14: The public hearing for Tilcon Connecticut, Inc. for property located at 0 Sterling Road – Route 14 has been continued to Wednesday 7/11/2018 immediately following the public hearing for Sterling Materials (South) and Sterling Materials (North), beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Room #15 at the Sterling Municipal Building, 1183 Plainfield Pike, Oneco.

Item III. Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to adjourn at 6:33 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Dale Boisselle, Recording Secretary