



Soil Conservation Board Minutes – December 3, 2018

A meeting of the Town of Freetown **Soil Conservation Board** was held on **December 3, 2018** at the Freetown Senior Center, 227 Chace Rd. **Present:** Keven Desmarais, Mark Rogers, Lisa Pacheco, Robert Jose, Charles Sullivan

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Chairman Desmarais called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Chairman Desmarais stated that 6 site inspections were performed on December 2nd.

The first permit up for review was **Permit #0533 Copicut Road, property of Peter Borges**. Chairman Desmarais stated that no work was currently being done on the site and there was no plan to remove anything else.

Chairman Desmarais entertained a motion to a grant 1 year renewal for **Permit #0533 Copicut Road, property of Peter Borges**. Mr. Rogers moved and Mr. Jose seconded. Ms. Pacheco abstained.

The next permit up for review was **Permit #0535 Copicut Road, property of KR Rezendes**. Chairman Desmarais stated there were some minor issues at the site. Mr. Jose stated that during the site visit Mr. Rezendes stated that the site was exempt from the 3:1 slope ratio. Chairman Desmarais stated that the site was granted relief from the slope requirement, not exempt. Chairman Desmarais stated that he would like there to be a requirement to install snow fencing at the top of any slope that is granted relief from the 3:1 slope ratio.

Mr. Jose made a motion to grant a 1 year renewal for **Permit #0535 Copicut Road, property of KR Rezendes** on the condition that a snow fence is installed at the top of slopes that do not meet the 3:1 slope requirement within 30 days of this (December 3rd) meeting. Mr. Rogers seconded. Ms. Pacheco abstained.

The next permit up for review was **Permit #0527 S. Main St., property of KR Rezendes**. Chairman Desmarais stated that the owners do not anticipate removing anymore material.

Mr. Jose made a motion to grant a 1 year renewal for **Permit #0527 S. Main St., property of KR Rezendes**. Mr. Rogers seconded. Ms. Pacheco abstained.

The next permit up for review was **Permit #0536 Slab Bridge Road, property of KR Rezendes**. Chairman Desmarais stated that the site is an active cranberry bog and fill material will be brought in to make the area level. Chairman Desmarais also stated that there were some issues with slopes larger than the 3:1 requirement. Mr. Rogers stated that some slopes already had fencing.

Mr. Jose made a motion to grant a 1 year renewal for **Permit #0536 Slab Bridge Road, property of KR Rezendes** on the condition that a snow fence is installed at the top of slopes that do not meet the 3:1 slope requirement within 30 days of this (December 3rd) meeting. Mr. Rogers seconded. Ms. Pacheco abstained.

The next permit up for review was **Permit #0530 Chace Road, property of John Mello**. Chairman Desmarais stated that the board has not received the completed application but he has been in contact with Mr. Mello and the application, bond, and application and tipping fee should be received by the board tomorrow (December 4th).

Mr. Jose made a motion to grant a 1 year renewal for **Permit #0530 Chace Road, property of John Mello** once the pending items (application, bond, and application and tipping fees) are submitted. Mr. Rogers seconded. Ms. Pacheco abstained.

The last permit up for review was **Permit #0529 Braley Road, property of John Mello**. Chairman Desmarais stated that this site is in the same situation as the previous permit, the application has not been submitted and the board should be receiving it tomorrow (December 4th).

Chairman Desmarais entertained a motion to grant a 1 year renewal for **Permit #0529 Braley Road, property of John Mello** once the pending items (application, bond, and application and tipping fees) are submitted. Mr. Rogers moved and Mr. Jose seconded. Ms. Pacheco abstained.

Mr. Jose made a motion to approve the minutes from December 18, 2017, as read. Ms. Pacheco seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jose made a motion to adjourn at 6:20 pm. Mr. Rogers seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher McKay