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TOWN OF MEDWAY COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.
Medway Town Hall, 155 Village Street, Medway, MA
Zoom Meeting

	Andy Rodenhiser Chairperson	Sarah Raposa Vice Chairperson	Timothy Harris Clerk	Jessica Chabot	John Parlee
Attendance	X	X	X	X	X

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, under which public bodies retain the option of holding open meetings and hearings remotely until March 31, 2025, and in accordance with the Medway Select Board's remote participation policy as amended at its July 2, 2021, meeting, Planning and Economic Development Board members and all other participants participated remotely.

Also in attendance:

Barbara J. Saint Andre, Director of Community and Economic Development
Jeremy Thompson, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator

The Chair identified the members participating remotely and the meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m.

3 Mishawaum Street stormwater concerns:

The Board was informed by the Chair that he went to the site during the recent rainstorm and observed the site. The valve on the detention basin that had been open was now closed. He took photos of the site. The basin was full and was not discharging water. There were leaves floating in the channel from the area of the basin to the Charles River as he walked. The Chair communicated that as part of the maintenance there should be raking of the leaves and suggested the homeowner contract with a contractor to suck up the leaves. He further went to the abutter and explained that this current dumping of leaves has been on site for a long time prior to the construction of the Salmon facility, based on the mossy conditions, and high ground water which exist on site.

The developer's representative Damien Dmitrik was present in zoom. He prepared and presented the historical events related to this situation. His team has been on site each day since the last Board meeting. The team removed the leaves last week. The valve was tested and double checked that it was closed. The draw down device is not the issue. There is a little water coming from the flared end due to high levels of ground water. The team sealed this off on December 13, 2023. There are photos of this.

The board wants to make sure that the channel to the Charles River stays open.

Mr. Dmitrik went to site today and the Charles River was overflowing onto the abutters' property.

The Chair communicated that the maintenance needs to be ongoing so that no leaf dams are created. The Order Of Conditions should have a note for the maintenance.

Abutter, Tim Choate joined zoom and was informed that this area will be maintained appropriately.

Potential Town Meeting articles for May Town Meeting:

The Board was informed that the warrant is opening on January 2, 2024, and closing February 20, 2024.

On a motion made by Sarah Raposa, seconded by Jessica Chabot, the Board voted by roll call vote to go into executive session under General Laws chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation known as Medway Realty LLC v. Medway Planning and Economic Development Board and the Town of Medway, Land Court, Civil Action No. 21 Misc. 000633-HPS, where an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Board's litigating position, and the Chair so declares, and not to return to open session at the conclusion of executive session. The Chair so declared.

Roll Call Vote:

Andy Rodenhiser	Aye
Sarah Raposa	Aye
Timothy Harris	Aye
Jessica Chabot	Aye
John Parlee	Aye

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Recording Secretary

Edited by Barbara J. Saint Andre
Director, Community and Economic Development

