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The Northbridge Earth Removal Board (ERB) Meeting was held at the Riverdale Mills Gravel Site located at 130 Riverdale Street, Northbridge, MA and was called to order at 3:34 p.m. on Tuesday, 15 September 2020 by Chairman Charles Ampagoomian. The following Board members were present:

Name	Representing
Charles Ampagoomian, Chairman	Board of Selectmen
Paul McKeon	Board of Health
Harold Berkowicz	Planning Board
James Shuris, P.E., MBA, Secretary	Department of Public Works
<u>Absent:</u>	
Richard Chiras	Conservation Commission
<u>Others present:</u>	
Denis Dorr	Dennis Engineering & Machine Co. Representing Denis Dorr Riverdale Mills
John Rock (Attended @ 3:25 p.m.)	Hydro-Seed Contractor for Denis Dorr

Minutes of the 26 August 2020 Meeting: Minutes were reviewed. The vote was unanimous to accept the minutes as written. Vote: 4-0

Public Hearing and Discussion – Earth Removal Permit Extension - James K. Knott, Sr.: Representative(s) included Denis Dorr of Dorr Engineering & Machine Co. representing Permit Applicant - Riverdale Mills.

The ERB met to revisit the earth removal site to follow-up with the applicant's representative Denis Dorr and their engineer based on comments expressed at the 26 August 2020 ERB Meeting. Their engineer was absent from the meeting.

The Earth Removal Board (ERB) questioned why some areas of the basin/slopes are bare and without grass, and Mr. Dorr commented that as all slopes and basin areas were loamed and seeded at one time, and now that time has passed, and with the recent climate/weather events that conditions may have changed. Mr. Dorr commented that all bare slopes will be hydroseeded to satisfy the permit

requirements. ERB Member also questioned why the two piles of loam and gravel remain onsite and Mr. Dorr commented that they were left on site for use by the owner.

Denis Dorr's hydroseed company (i.e. John Rock) attended the later portion of the meeting and immediately commenced hydroseeding all bare areas of the slopes with a MassDOT slope grass seed mix . The ERB was advised that this work will be completed before the end of the day.

The ERB requested that Mr. Shuris advise the ERB when the hydro-seeding work is completed and the grass has germinated, so that another onsite ERB meeting can be scheduled to observe same. The applicant agreed to have their engineer provide a revised Final Site Inspection letter when the grass has germinated as well.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn made by Mr. McKeon and seconded by Mr. Ampagoomian. The vote was unanimous.

Vote: 4-0

NOTE: On 16 September 2020 ERB Member Jim Shuris revisited the site with Denis Dorr and observed the completion of all bare areas of the slopes.

Other Business:

No Other Business.

Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion to adjourn made by Mr. McKeon and seconded by Mr. Ampagoomian. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Vote: 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'J. Shuris', written over a horizontal line.

James Shuris, P.E., MBA
Secretary, Northbridge Earth Removal Board