130 Silvermine Road

Members Present: Rob Neron, Paula Chapla, Phil Whilhemy, Tom O’Neil

Members Absent: Jeff Hanowitz, Rich Demko

1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 7:16.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

All stood for the pledge.

Paula Chapla read the Public Hearing notice into the record.

The Seymour Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on February 6th at 7:15 pm in the Norma Drummer Room; Seymour Town Hall 1 First Street Seymour CT 06483 for the following application:
Application to renew a special permit; Section 12.0 Earth removal, filling and regrading Property located at 132 Silvermine Road, Seymour CT A copy of the application is on file in the Seymour Town Hall
At these hearings, interested persons can appear and be heard. Written communications will also be received. Dated at Seymour, Connecticut this 13th of January 2020, Seymour Zoning Board of Appeals.

3. Seating of Alternates

Phil Whilhemy made a motion to seat the alternates.

Seconded by: Paula Chapla

All were in favor.

The applicant Garrett Griffin from Griffin Brothers Excavation which operates out of 182 Silvermine Road, stated that he was in front of the Board tonight to ask for reviewing the same permit as last year with all the guidelines. There were no issues that he was aware of, they are just renewing the permit and trying to stay up to date. The permit is for crushing rock and recycling asphalt processed materials. The permit was granted just over a year ago to them. Since then they have been in compliance and have had no complaints. Phil Whilhemy asked for the date for the original permit.
Griffin said that he believed it was in August of 2018. That was when it was issued and it would have expired last October, which was when they filed for the renewal, but the meetings kept getting pushed back.

Phil Whilhemy asked if the permit just needed to be extended for the year. He asked if the permit has been active for over a year and if the place where the permit is located has not changed and the permit is working as intended.

Jim Baldwin answered that this was correct.

Griffin said in terms of how much material was processed on the site, they have only been stockpiling materials to be processed. They have at most 4,000 yards on the ground and they have paid for and agreed to 10,000 yards so they are way under where they should be. If they do get near the 10,000 yards they are prepared to handle that amount. They plan to stay within the limits up until next year.

Paula Chapla asked if the renewal was going to be effective starting today or does it predate to October.

Jim Baldwin said that the renewal is effective 15 days after the vote so they will be renewed and the last week of February it will renew. They have been always been able to operate over the past few months because it was an administrative mistake that they have not gotten in here to take action.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.