

2                                   **TOWN OF HOPKINTON - PLANNING BOARD**  
4                                   **SPECIAL MEETING**

6                                   **July 9, 2012**

8                                   **6:30 P.M.**

8                                   **Hopkinton Town Hall**

10                                  **One Town House Road, Hopkinton, Rhode Island 02833**

12   **CALL TO ORDER**

14   The July 9, 2012 Special Meeting of the Hopkinton Planning Board was called to order at 6:35 P.M. by Chairman Al DiOrio.

16   **MEMBERS PRESENT**

18   Present: Al DiOrio, Howard Walker, Hazel Douthitt, Donald Simmons and C.J.

18   Doyle.

20   Absent: Joseph Escher.

22   Also present were: James Lamphere, Town Planner; Scott Levesque, Town Solicitor; and Harvey Buford, Conservation Commission.

24   **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

26   MR. WALKER MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 2, 2012 MEETING AS CIRCULATED. MR. SIMMONS SECONDED THE MOTION.

28   MESSRS. WALKER, SIMMONS, MS. DOUTHITT AND MS. DOYLE APPROVE. MR. DIORIO ABSTAINS.

30   MOTION PASSES.

32   **Review/Comment of Existing Earth Removal Registration – Kenyon – Plat 24, Lots 172, 173 and Plat 25, Lot 23, River Road. Marilyn N. & Roger E. Kenyon, registrants.**

34   Mr. Lamphere said this is the first application for the registration of an existing  
36   gravel bank operation. He did not notify the applicant nor the applicant's  
38   representative as he did not see this as a site plan review. The application pack was  
40   submitted to the Board for their review. The ordinance addresses that buffers are  
42   required when the property abuts a residential use or is on an existing road. Mr.  
44   Lamphere asked the Board how they would like to handle these reviews in the  
46   future.

48   Mr. DiOrio suggested we could follow our methodology; the applicant comes before  
50   the Board and we make a review of the package before us.

52   Ms. Douthitt said having the applicant at the meeting could provide an explanation  
54   of our questions.

56   Mr. Simmons and Ms. Doyle concurred.

2 Mr. Walker said we ought to have the applicant come before us. Our goal is  
4 extremely limited other than a recommendation of conditions to be imposed. The  
6 Kenyon review is very straight forward and the Council should approve the  
application as submitted, subject to the restrictions of the ordinance.

8 Mr. Levesque said it would be better to have the applicant present as the Town  
10 Council leans heavily on the Board's expertise, and would then allow the Planning  
12 Board to apply any recommendations. If the applicant disagrees with the Board, he  
then goes before the Town Council. Therefore, the Town Council is asking for any  
conditions before they give their approval.

14 Mr. DiOrio suggested we put this review on the agenda of a future meeting.

16 Mr. Lamphere agreed.

18 MR. WALKER MOVED TO CONTINUE. MS. DOYLE SECONDED THE MOTION.  
MESSRS. WALKER, DIORIO, SIMMONS AND MS. DOUTHITT AND DOYLE APPROVE.  
MOTION PASSES.

20 **PLANNER'S REPORT:** None

22 **CORRESPONDENCE AND UPDATES:** None

24 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

26 **DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** August 1, 2012

28 **ADJOURNMENT:**

30 MR. WALKER MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.  
32 MS. DOUTHITT SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL APPROVE.

34 The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

36 Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
38 Lynda St. Amour, Planning Board Clerk

40 Approved: September 5, 2012