



# **Town of Westminster**

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE  
**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

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## **MINUTES MEETING November 12, 2015**

**To: Selectmen  
Board of Health  
Building Commissioner  
Planning Board  
Highway Department  
Town Clerk**

**Present:** Chairman Dan Bartkus, Members: Carrie Monty , Robert Gendron, John Regan, Agent Bob Maki, and Secretary Susan Kalagher

**Absent:** Gary Smith, Tim Sheehan

**Guests:** Millie Mercier, John Mercier, Mark Blanchard, Chuck Scott, Justin Minor

### **Documents & Plans and other Exhibits**

Plan – 5 Hill Road

Calculations – 5 Hill Road

Plan – 235 S. Ashburnham Road

Dan Bartkus called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was not recorded.

### **Certificates of Compliance**

The following Certificates of Compliance were approved upon recommendation by Bob Maki:

- 138 Ellis Road (lot 2), Kajko, Weisman & Colasanti /#336-0381 to Dana Patient

### **Mail and Minutes & Vouchers**

Mail was read and distributed.

The Minutes of October 22, 2015 were unanimously approved.

A voucher for Bob Maki for mileage was approved \$64.40

**CONTINUATION OF NOI  
5 Hill Road  
Mercier**

7:10 p.m. The Continuation of the public hearing for the Notice of Intent requested by Justin Minor for the construction of a new single-family home to replace an existing home at 5 Hill Road owned by John and Mildred Mercier was opened. Mark Blanchard of Blanchard Survey gave the overview of the project. An old cesspool would be removed and a new septic system installed. Trees will be removed, stumped, and filled with loam and seed and jute matting to maintain integrity of the slope. The revised plan showed crowns and pitches and was designed to slow run-off. Snow will not be stockpiled. The revised plan shows the neighbor's houses as requested by the Commission. After review, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the plan upon motion by John Regan and second by Carrie Monty. The public hearing was closed at 7:15 p.m.

**NOI  
235 South Ashburnham Road  
Jarvenpaa**

7:15 p.m. The public hearing filed by Palmer Moore of South Ashburnham Solar, LLC as provided by Nexamp for the installation of a solar generating facility at 235 South Ashburnham Road owned by Eino Jarvenpaa was opened. Dan Bartkus recused himself as an abutter and John Regan took over the meeting. Chuck Scott of CFS Engineering and Chris Clark of Nexamp gave the overview of the project. Proof of abutter notification was submitted. Wetland resource areas have been delineated. The project involves constructing a paved access road to the solar arrays. An interception swale will collect water and divert it and eventually discharge it under South Ashburnham Road. This has been designed to the 100 year storm. Catch basins and culverts were reviewed. Bob Maki commented on the importance of accurate grading and noted that the contractor will have to adhere to the plan. Chuck Scott responded that with GPS contractors can grade very accurately. Erosion control barriers were discussed. Robert Gendron asked if there would be a protocol in place to inspect erosion control barriers periodically. Bob Maki would recommend a month report. After review, a motion was made by John Regan to accept the plan with special conditions. This was seconded by Robert Gendron and the plan was approved.

**Greenwood Pond Dam / Shady Avenue**

It has come to Bob Maki's attention that DCR has deemed the dam off Shady Avenue owned by Greg Linnus as a 'Significant Hazard' and will issue an Emergency Certification.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Bartkus  
Chairman  
(prepared by Susan Kalagher)