

**Town of Lenox
Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Thursday January 4th, 2024
Town Hall Land Use Room
7:30 PM**

Members Present: Neal Carpenter- chair, Vincent Ammendola, Mark Smith, Dave Lane, Rose Fitzgerald-Casey, Richard Ferren

Absent with Notification: Andrew Silver

Others: John Angove- CM&B Construction, Adam Mazzantini- Foresight Land Services

NC called the meeting to order at 7:30

1. Discussion regarding demolition of buildings on Pittsfield Road for new car dealership

The board agreed they do not have a problem with the demolition of any of the buildings on the property except for the large garage in the back as there are bad soils around it and because of its proximity to the brook. The demo company said they plan to test the soil, dig out anything that is contaminated and replace it with clean soil. NC asked that they do not touch the big garage yet, and that they put a silt fence around the building and across the top of the hill where it goes down to the brook. The board suggested they wait until the spring and do the demo and soil removal all at once.

A motion was made to approve the demo of 3 houses plus their garages and the kitchen store was made by DL and seconded by VA. All were in favor.

2. Approval of Minutes- December 7, 2023

Motion made to approve the minutes of December 7th made by RFC, VA seconded. All were in favor.

3. Other business

The board discussed the proposed solar tracking facility at 383 Housatonic Street. They spoke about the concerns of the neighbors in relation to the sound the panels will emit and whether they are contaminants that can leach into the groundwater. They determined the delineations for the areas to the west and the south still need to be confirmed. At this point in time, the board has issued no approval to the petitioners.

Motion to adjourn at 8:10pm made by RFC, all were in favor.