



April 4, 2023

I hereby certify that at an adjourned session of the 2023 Annual Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Abington held on April 3rd, 2023, a meeting duly called and conducted under Chapter 152 of the By-Laws of the Town of Abington, a quorum present, it was voted:

Article 19 – Amendment to Zoning Bylaw §175-34C regarding sand and gravel operations:

Voted to amend Zoning Bylaw §175-34 entitled "Excavation of sand and gravel or other earth materials" by adding the following three new requirements after subsection 11 in §175-34C, and renumbering the remaining paragraphs accordingly, with additions shown in **bold** and deletions shown in ~~strikethrough~~:

C. The following conditions shall govern:

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(11) A plan for re-grading all or parts of the slopes resulting from such excavation or fill shall be approved.

(12) Topsoil and/or soils with high organic content suitable to support vegetation shall not be removed from the site unless approved through the special permit process.

(13) Topsoil shall be spread across all disturbed areas at a depth sufficient to sustain vigorous vegetation growth upon completion of site disturbance activities.

(14) Where construction activities have compacted soils within vegetated or landscaped areas, measures shall be taken to restore natural soil permeability, such as rototilling of soils.

~~(12)~~ 15) A plan for replacement of at least six inches of topsoil over all excavated, filled, or otherwise disturbed surfaces and seeding with a perennial cover crop, reseeded as necessary to assure uniform growth and soil surface stabilization shall be approved.

~~(13)~~ 16) A plan for lighting shall be provided.

~~(14)~~ 17) Proper provision for vehicular traffic, service roads, control of entrances and exits to adjacent roads shall be made.

~~(16)~~ 18) Provision for a fence enclosing the excavation or quarry where any excavation or quarry will extend under original ground level or will have a depth of 10 feet or more or create a slope of more than one foot in two feet. Such fence shall be located a minimum of 10 feet or more from the edge of the excavation or quarry, and shall be six feet in height.

~~(16)~~ 19) A plan for the ongoing cleanup of the site and adjacent streets.

PASSES WITH 2/3 VOTE

A true record,

Attest:

Leanne M. Adams

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Town Clerk