

# Agawam Planning Board January 4, 2024

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## MEMBERS PRESENT:

Violet Baldwin, Acting Chairman  
Frank DeStefano  
Michael Cleavall  
Michael DiLullo  
Charles Elfman

## ALSO PRESENT:

Taryn Egerton  
Stefanie Kesecker  
Pam Kerr

Acting Chairperson Baldwin called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

### 1. SITE PLAN-685 South Westfield Street-DePalma

John Furman with VHB was present for this agenda item and gave a brief update to the Board. He stated the revised Site Plan updates now include sidewalks throughout the entire development. He stated they have filed a Notice of Intent with the Conservation Commission and the Commission voted to have a peer review completed. He stated the peer review should be completed by the January 25, 2024 Conservation Commission meeting. He stated they had received feedback from the DPW and the comments pertain to stormwater management, the roadway being more than 500 ft., and a recommendation to remove a curb. He stated they have addressed these comments and will submit written responses. He went on to say they have also received a response from DEP and instead of adding fill to the basin that would encroach on the wetland they are proposing to construct a retaining wall. Mr. Furman also informed the Board that Western Mass Electric does the lighting design for these type of developments and they do not provide a lighting plan until the project gets approved. Ms. Baldwin mentioned the need for adequate lighting at the site. Ms. Kerr stated it could be a condition of the Plan's approval. Mr. Elfman asked if there was any preliminary lighting plan. Mr. Furman stated no. Mr. Furman requested to continue this Site Plan to the February 1, 2024 meeting.

Motion was made by Mr. Cleavall and seconded by Mr. Elfman to continue the SITE PLAN-685 South Westfield Street-DePalma to the February 1, 2024 meeting.

VOTE 5-0-0

### 2. BOND RELEASE-Nicole Terrace Subdivision-DePalma

The Engineering Department submitted comments today and do not recommend a release at this time.

Motion was made by Mr. Elfman and seconded by Mr. DiLullo to deny the BOND RELEASE-Nicole Terrace Subdivision-DePalma, based upon Engineering comments dated January 4, 2024.

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VOTE 5-0-0

3. BOND RELEASE-62 West View Lane-Santaniello

Motion was made by Mr. Cleavall and seconded by Mr. Elfman to release in full (9,000) the bond being held for-62 West View Lane-Santaniello.

VOTE 5-0-0

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-December 7, 2023

Motion was made by Mr. Elfman and seconded by Mr. Cleavall to approve the December 7, 2023 minutes.

VOTE 5-0-0

5. Correspondences

Nothing under this agenda item.

Motion was made by Mr. Cleavall and seconded by Mr. DiLullo to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE 5-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.