

**SALEM TOWNSHIP
COMPLIANCE INSPECTION MEETING
ROCHESTER ASPHALT
JUNE 15, 2015
4:30 P.M.**

Members Present: **Brian Connelly**
 Jim Evans
 Rick Lutzi
 Sharon Petersen
 Mike Coats

Staff Present **Roger Ihrke**
 Dave Meier

Rochester Asphalt **Royal Johnson**
 Matt Johnson

Roger Ihrke reviewed the stream straightening plan from last year. It was noted that the water in the parking lot was not draining correctly. Royal Johnson stated that they are still working on it and that it is a work in process.

Roger Ihrke stated that correcting the drainage and related grading plan was why they visited the site last fall. You are supposed to have a retention pond at that time, and you still do not have one in place. This is part of the grading plan that is still not in place. How long do we have to wait for this to be completed?

Royal Johnson stated that have the area seeded, the berm is complete, but the pond has not been built.

Roger Ihrke noted that the silt fence was not in place until a couple days ago. It is supposed to be machine cut in, and this was put in by hand. The pond has to be in place. It can be a temporary pond. Roger Ihrke noted that that if the pond is not in place, MPCA will be visiting the site.

Roger Ihrke explained that the pond was to be put in immediately in the spring. It is now June 15 and the pond has not been put in place.

Royal Johnson discussed with Roger what his understanding of what is required. Roger Ihrke explained that there was supposed to be a hole excavated for the retention pond. A temporary pond can be built.

Royal Johnson stated they did not understand that.

Roger Ihrke stated they also need to build a berm around the parking lot to prevent any water from going anywhere but the retention pond. All water from the shed and parking area should run to the pond. The berm around the parking lot should be a foot to a foot and one-half in height.

They are starting to build a berm with a tree buffer along the road.

They asked if they can dig the pond deeper to start and get the water retention part of the grading plan started.

Board members went down to check the seeding on the berms. Jim Evans noted that the filled area has a lot of blacktop and other debris and the seeding was not growing entirely satisfactory. There was also a lot of wild parsnip that should be eradicated, as this is a noxious weed.

Roger Ihrke asked them to call when they have the pond in place and they have completed the grading so the area is properly draining. At this time they are not in compliance with their grading plan that was submitted.

Rochester Asphalt will notify TCPA when the work for this project is complete.

Respectfully submitted,

**Brian Connelly
Chairman**

**Sharon Petersen
Clerk**