

BOH Minutes Nov 1 2017

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Wednesday, November 1, 2017
Chilmark Town Hall
5:00 pm

Present:~ Katie Carroll, Matt Poole

Absent: Jan Buhrman

Also Present:~ George Sourati (Sourati Engineering), Reid Silva (Vineyard Land Surveying and Engineering)

8 Elliot Ave (33-164) George Sourati presented a septic upgrade permit application for a house currently served by a cesspool, which in the 1980s was converted into a septic tank with a leaching pit added. The cesspool is now collapsing, and the plan proposes to replace the collapsed cesspool with a tank, and keep the pit, which still functions. The Board noted that the house has not changed in these past years, and **approved** the proposed plan for a three-bedroom capacity as reflected in permit #32 of 1983.

Bermudes, 31 Tea Lane (12-40) The Board reviewed a septic construction plan to serve a five-bedroom dwelling and one-bedroom in a garage, for a total of six bedrooms. The plan includes demonstration that two separate septic systems are possible on the property, thereby enabling the one-bedroom dwelling to be a guest house. The Board **approved** the plan, which does not require variances.

VNA-CC FY'18 contract: The Board discussed the FY'18 contract with the VNA –Cape Cod, which has not yet been approved. The Board felt that having a public nursing contract is very important for the town, but also felt that the program has been declining over the years, and that it is in need of some concerted attention. The Board re-emphasized the high priority it places on nursing services to be provided directly to patients, particularly through home visits to aging homeowners in Chilmark. Based on prior years' program intensity, and given that there are a number of pending initiatives that could benefit from public health funding, the Board decided to downsize the program by half, and to furthermore stipulate that any given month's expenses cannot be more than 50% to cover non-direct patient care activities such as travel expenses, meeting attendance, and the like. The Board asked Marina Lent to amend the contract accordingly and agreed that, on this basis, the contract for FY'18 can be approved.

Two Sisters, 35 Harlock Pond Road (1-12) Reid Silva presented a well permit plan revision for the property which does not require variances and was **approved** by the Board.

Public Hearing cont'd

Waitzkin, 6 Ocean View Farm Road (25-113) Reid Silva presented the septic construction permit application and plan which requires the following variance to the BOH Regulation requirements: 150' separation between the leaching field and wetland down to 56'. The Board noted that the additional soil data which had been requested at its meeting of 10/11 has now been supplied and **approved** the application, noting that the property will not support more than the current three bedrooms.

The Board asked Marina Lent to send a letter to the property owner, advising them that the work must be completed within six months.

Invoices: The Board approved the following invoice for payment:

- VNA-CC September 2017 \$ 382.50

The meeting adjourned at 18:20 hours.

Katherine L. Carroll, Chair
Chilmark Board of Health

Matthew Poole
Chilmark Board of Health

Janet L. Buhrman
Chilmark Board of Health

A recording of this meeting is on file at the Board of Health office and available for on-site review.