

BOH Minutes Jun 19 2019

Chilmark Board of Health Minutes

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Chilmark Town Hall

5:00 pm

Present: Katie Carroll, Matt Poole, Jan Buhrman

Also Present: Chris Alley, Reid Silva, Joan Malkin, Doug Best

Minutes: Minutes of May 15, 2019 were approved.

Merkel/Shanus, 17 Howell Lane (27-3) Chris Alley presented proposed septic construction and renovation plans for a shared system serving house and guest house. Two systems in full compliance have been demonstrated. The Board approved the proposed plan on the condition that the engineer must confer with installers prior to and during the construction process, and that an archeological consultation with the Tribe must be undertaken at this site. Once the engineer informs the BOH office that the consultation has taken place, the permit can be signed and released.

Schiller, 252 Middle Road (19-71) The Board took note of a failed Official Title 5 Transfer and Sale inspection report. Chris Alley presented proposed septic upgrade for a shared system serving house and guest house. Two systems in full compliance have been demonstrated. The Board **approved** the proposed plan on the condition that the engineer must confer with installers prior to and during the construction process, and that an archeological consultation with the Tribe must be undertaken at this site.

17:30 Public Hearing

21 East Lane Realty Trust, (32-67) Reid Silva proposed a 5-bedroom septic construction permit application which requires the following variances xxxxxxxx. The Board determined that notice of today's hearing had been received by all but 2 abutters: the lawyer of one of them was contacted, and one house on the other property had received the notice.

The required separation of septic-to-septic is not reflected for one of the abutting properties, which is in the same ownership as the system under construction so objection is not anticipated. The reserve area is not shown on the plan.

The Board asked that the geogrid fabric used in the construction should be specified on the plan, and **approved** the plan pending receipt of an updated plan showing all parameters discussed.

Public Hearing, cont'd: Grandfield, 15 Doctor's Creek (24-135) The bedroom count required for approval of the proposed septic system upgrade has not yet been completed, and the hearing must be continued to the next session of the Board. The Board asked Reid Silva to facilitate a bedroom count at the property, and to move the tanks an additional 7' from the locus well. The unused well on the property will have to be properly abandoned in accordance with the DEP Private Well Guidelines.

Gollin, 92 Kings Highway (18-43) Reid Silva brought a septic system construction plan to the Board for consideration. The waterline will be relocated to accommodate the septic system. the Board noted that the application for an accessory apartment will need to go before the ZBA, and **approved** the proposed plan.

Wayside Trust, 43 Wosoket Lane (11-32) Reid Silva presented a septic system construction permit application which does not require variances and was **approved** by the Board.

MacIsaac, 199 state Road (33-117) Reid Silva introduced a revised tank location for the plan previously approved on 12/5/2018. The board noted that the separation between leach field and wetland, which is required to be 150' in the coastal district is actually 103', not 105' as shown in the plan, and that the plan reflects seven bedrooms. A deed restriction on one of the rooms will not be accepted by the Board. The Board **denied** the revision, and will entertain a revised plan at its next meeting.

Beetlebung Farm, 521 South Road (26-88) The Board notes a bedroom count of 8 bedrooms in the renovation plans, and asked that this information be placed on record.

Recycling on Martha's Vineyard Joan Malkin came before the Board to discuss the difficult issue of recycling, which has been significantly affected by world market conditions in this sector. This difficult backdrop is further compounded by apparent differences in product recycling between every Local Drop Off on the island. This is confusing and annoying to the consumer. Joan reported that she has been attending workshops on recycling off island and feels that improvements to our recycling programs are urgently needed.

She pointed out that people are confused or careless about what products can or cannot be recycled. Combined with products that are frequently contaminated with food residue, a whole load of "recycling" can end up being unusable and must then be commingled with garbage for the incinerator. This further undermines the credibility of the program with the public in a negative feedback loop.

She suggested some immediate steps which could be taken to remedy the problems such as:

- consistent, prominent, clear and simple signage at the LDOs
- public education at workshops where people can ask questions they may have and raise the profile of the issue and clarify the challenges facing solid waste management in the global economy.

The Board thanks Joan Malkin for her important contribution.

Eaton, 129 Old Farm Road (3-42, 43) The Board examined a septic system tie-in plan prepared by Doug Dowling, but felt that more explanation of the project is needed before a decision can be taken to approve. For example, what is the total bedroom count? what is the capacity of the studio/greenhouse on the property? what will be added? what will be the final needed capacity of the system? The Board asked Marina Lent to communicate with Doug Dowling via email to move this project forward.

Dengler, 12 South Road (6-5) The Board asked Marina Lent to send a letter requiring a septic upgrade for the system which is shown by Title 5 Official Inspection Report to be in failure.

Beach Trash The Board asked Marina Lent to prepare a draft letter regarding the trash at the town's beach parking lot for review.

Perc Season The Board determined that the 2018/2019 perc season is now closed.

Invoices:

- MVRD landfill \$15

The meeting adjourned at 19:24 hours.

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