

BOH Minutes Feb 1 2017

Chilmark Board of Health Minutes

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

Chilmark Town Hall

5:00 pm

Present: Katie Carroll, Matt Poole, Jan Buhrman

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

Minutes: The Board reviewed minutes of the meeting of January 4, 2017. Regarding the item of elevated lead levels in a Chilmark child, the Board noted that Matt Poole had provided Marina Lent with the name of a certified lead inspector in the week following the BOH meeting. In addition, Marina Lent's discussion with the child's physician, and tests of the drinking water at the property, both indicated no further action is required at this time, since both blood and drinking water lead levels were significantly below the threshold of concern. Remedial actions (removal of painted toys) have been taken, and follow-up blood testing scheduled, to ensure that no health hazard develops.

PG Nominee Trust, 75 Cobbs Hill Road (11-25.2) The Board **approved** the septic system construction application and plan submitted by Reid Silva, but noted that the well was drilled in 1993, and should be re-tested to ensure that it fulfills all required parameters of function.

Celli, 11 Flanders Lane (27.1-204) Reid Silva presented a septic construction plan for the upgrade of an existing cesspool which is located within the Zone I of the Menemsha Water Company well, with a 208' separation between the well and the leachfield. Reid Silva reported that he had discussed the matter with DEP officials, but that, since the Menemsha Water Company does not own the land within the 350'-radius Zone I, it cannot forbid activities of property owners within the Zone. The Board noted that, in future, it would be desirable to offer a Zone I property to the company. The Board **approved** the proposed plan, but asked Reid Silva to provide written documentation of the discussion with DEP regarding activities within a Zone I.

GRB LLP Brickyard Road (9-2.7) The Board reviewed and **approved** a well permit application that requires no variances.

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Meinelt, 5 Tysbury Manor (18-50.3) The Board **approved** a septic system construction permit application presented by Reid Silva which does not require variances.

Septic Installer Application: The Board **approved** an Installer Permit application submitted by JJ Healy, Clayco Earthworks.

Mackey, 40 Shadbush Hollow (11-6) The Board was unable to decipher the house plans submitted by Brian Mackey and asked Marina Lent to conduct a bedroom count so as to better assess the proposed renovation plans.

Damroth Subdivision (11-54.4) The Board took note of a letter provided by Chris Alley which states that soils in the area will support the proposed Form C subdivision. The Board asked Marina Lent to convey its approval of the proposed subdivision on the basis of the information provided by Chris Alley.

MVRD SunMar Compact Composting Toilet : Jan Buhrman reported that she and Rich Ossnoss have inspected the new “Sun-Mar Compact” composting toilet at the shack in the LDO, and will provide clear, easy-to-use maintenance instructions for posting in the bathroom.

BOH Annual Report: The Board **approved** the draft Annual Report with suggested amendments.

Homelessness on MV: Matt Poole reported on recent efforts to assist an individual who is both homeless and medically fragile. While the Edgartown and Chilmark Boards of Health were able to step in with emergency funding to keep the individual housed in a hotel for one week, this incident and others raise an important dilemma for public health. He is working with Health Agents and the Housing Assistance Corporation’s Vineyard representative, Karen Tewhey to determine what criteria could apply to determine when an individual is not able to use the existing Houses of Grace winter shelter program. Marina Lent, who is one of four volunteer coordinators for the Houses of Grace shelter, reported on similar discussions with that group. This and related issues are on the agenda of the upcoming Health Agents meeting.

Chilmark Springs Water System: Marina Lent reported that the Chilmark Springs water system has now been restored to inactive PWS status.

Certificate of Compliance: Norton, 14 Dr.’s Creek Path (24-134); Morais, 15 Ridge Hill Road (11-46.1); Taylor/Fyler, 5 Homeward Way (20=95.3); Mayhew, 4 Strikers Way (30-48.3); Carroll Nominee Trust, 21 Carroll Lane (27.1-176);

Title 5 Official Inspection Report: Scheuer, 7 Herring Run (34-4.1); Monto, 8 Frog Alley (12-5.5); Scheuer, 14 Herring Run (34-3); Molinari 53 Wequobsque Road (30-115);

Septic Installer Permits 2017: Medeiros Excavation & Landscape; Vineyard Land Surveying, Inc.; DECA, Inc.; Smith Bobcat, Inc.;

Invoices:

The following invoices were approved for payment:

- MVRD SEMASS-MSW \$ 1,486.58
- MVRD SunMar Compact Composting Toilet 50% \$906.26
- MVRD semi-annual assessment 2nd half FY’17 \$ 44,624.54
- MVRD quarterly drop-off Q3 FY’17 \$7,543.14
- MVRD CBT \$12
- VNA-CC December 2016 \$170

The meeting adjourned at 19:15 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.