

# Chilmark Board of Health

## Minutes

Wednesday, Aug 7, 2019

Chilmark Town Hall

5:00 pm

**Present:** Katie Carroll, Matt Poole, Jan Buhrman

**Also Present:** James Ferry, Sarah Petlin, Gabriel Petlin, Donna Wiseman, Reid Silva

**Minutes** of July 17, 2019, were approved as written.

**Petlin, 119 South Road (11-34)** Reid Silva came before the Board to report a failed septic system, which, according to septic hauler Troy Maciel, cannot be repaired and must be replaced. Reid Silva requested an out-of-season perc test in order to draw up plans for an upgrade. The Board approved an out-of-season perc test and noted that a minimalist repair may be a good option to get through the summer prior to completing a full upgrade. Reid will assess this option.

**Brudnick, 73 Bijah's Way (7-12)** Following confirmation of the bedroom count of the existing dwelling, and assigning a bedroom flow rate to the proposed pool cabana, the Board will review a septic system construction permit application and plan presented by Reid Silva, upon receipt of a letter from Reid delineating the flow recalculation using updated DEP rates for the system.

**Wiseman, 121 State Road (33-142)** Homeowner Donna Wiseman reported a failed septic system. Reid Silva noted that an out of season perc test will be required, and will prepare a proposed upgrade plan as quickly as possible. The Board noted that, due to the sensitive location of the property, the Tribe should be notified. The Board will permit an out of season perc test and a public hearing will not be required.

**36 Ridge Hill Road (11-14 & 15)** The Board approved a replacement well permit application which does not require variances from separation requirements of BOH Regulations, and required that the existing well be decommissioned in accordance with DEP Private Well Guidelines.

**16 Shepherd's Path (24-1)** Reid Silva presented a septic construction permit application for a proposed two bedroom dwelling with future two bedroom addition, a proposed

future additional two bedroom dwelling, as well as a greenhouse and carport. The proposed system does not require variances and was by the Board.

**22 Austin Pasture (33-47)** Reid Silva presented a septic plan revision to a plan previously approved by the Board on 12/19/2018. The previous plan was for an 8-bedroom system, which has been expanded to serve a total of 12 bedrooms. The Board **approved** the plan as submitted.

### **17:59 Public Hearing**

**MacIsaac, 199 State Road (33-117)** The hearing was opened at 5:59pm and Reid Silva presented a septic construction plan to serve a proposed four-bedroom dwelling. A new proposed well location will allow for better well to leachfield separation. The remaining variance is a reduction in the requirement of 300' between leach fields: the proposed plan allows for only 216'. The property is strictly limited to support four bedrooms only, and the Board **approved** the proposed plan on the condition that the Board must review the building plan prior to issuance of a building permit to confirm that only four bedrooms are contemplated.

**Doty, 62 Menemsha Crossroad (26-105)** The Board **approved** a well construction permit application which does not require variances.

**PWS Operator** The Board asked Marina Lent to prepare a summary of applications received for the position of Operator of the Chilmark Community Center/Library.

**MV Refuse District** The Board appointed Frank Fenner and Richard Osness as Chilmark BOH Representatives to the MV Refuse District for a two-year term.

**Oh Deer!** The Board noted having received abutter complaints regarding odor of deer, tick and mosquito repellent application. The Board felt that local regulations to address this and similar issues might be helpful, and asked Marina Lent to write a letter to the company to seek to avoid additional complaints for the remainder of the summer.

**Iacono, 16 Clambelly Road(7-32)** The Board discussed the conditions described by Dee Smith at the abutting property. Matt Poole stated that he has seen the property and that it could use improvement, notably being cleared of things not currently in use or past their useful lifetime. The Board also noted that the owner's application to the Zoning Board of Appeals could provide an opportunity to address this situation, and asked Marina Lent to talk to ZBA staff and draft a letter noting the Board's desire to clear up the issue in the context of construction taking place at the property.

**Invoices:**

- MVRD Landfill construction Demolition & batteries \$49.4
- Landfill grass mowing \$1,250
- MVRD SEMASS \$3,136.90

The meeting adjourned at 20:00 hours.



Katherine L. Carroll, Chair  
Chilmark Board of Health



Matthew Poole  
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Janet L. Buhrman  
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