

CHILMARK BOARD OF HEALTH

Minutes

July 21, 2021, 5pm

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Present: Katie Carroll, Matt Poole,
Also Present: Tim Carroll, Reid Silva
Absent: Jan Buhrman

Perc Season: The Board decided that the annual perc season is now closed. Reid Silva requested permission for out of season perc at the properties: Wallance 18 Kenasome Way (11-55.3); Rothschild, 36 Wintergreen Way, (18-27); and Binder, 40 Blueberry Ridge Lane (8-66). The Board, noting that each of the requested properties has different reasons for needing a perc test, granted the permission for out-of-season perc tests, but reserves the right to accept the validity of the tests based on individual findings.

29 Young's Way (29-22) Reid Silva held a septic flow increase discussion with the Board regarding the owner's wish to add two bedrooms of flow to the existing main and guest houses, using the nitrogen-reducing woodchip/sawdust/limestone technology, which has shown exceptionally strong results. Reid reported that it is possible to design a system expansion without having to have variances to Chilmark BOH separation requirements. The Board expressed interest and looks forward to reviewing a plan.

37 North Abels Hill (18-78) Reid Silva presented plans for septic construction to replace an existing system because an addition is being built over the existing system. The plan calls for an eight-bedroom Presby system with pump chamber, is fully-compliant with BOH regulations, and was **approved** by the Board.

BOH position in FY'22: Marina Lent discussed a proposal with the Board to adjust the current Administrator/Inspector position to accommodate a 20-hour per week commitment under the State grant "Local health support for COVID-19 case investigation and contact tracing." She noted that shifting responsibility for food inspections in Chilmark to either the new island-wide inspector currently being hired under the State Public Health Excellence program (SAPHE), or a seasonally-contracted inspector, as was done in the past, would allow for this adjustment. The Board asked for draft position descriptions showing the proposed changes.

Approval of past Minutes: the Board asked Marina Lent to organize past minutes in the google drive used by the Board so that minutes that have not yet been reviewed by the Board are easily identified and accessible.