

# Chilmark Board of Health Minutes

Wednesday, July 17, 2019

Chilmark Town Hall

5:00 pm

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

**Also Present:** Reid Silva, George Sourati, Dee Smith,

**Minutes:** June 5 and 19, 2019

**Morgan, 26 Hammett Road (8-2)** George Sourati presented a septic construction permit for a proposed six bedroom house. The Board **approved** the plan, which does not require variances, on the condition that the engineer review soils found upon excavation of the dwelling foundation, to ensure consistency of soils over a larger area. In addition, the permit will only be released when a well completion report is received by the BOH office.

**Smith, 8B Clambelly Road (7-64.2)** The Board noted that a Title 5 Official Inspection revision can be undertaken upon confirmation that the drywell referenced in the report receives only rinse water from the outdoor station which is set up for items such as coolers which are too large to be washed properly at the indoor 3 bay sink. Dee Smith confirmed that all water from the interior basement commercial kitchen drains into the Title 5 onsite wastewater disposal system. She also confirmed that there is no surface discharge from the outdoor washing station, as confirmed by food inspector Marina Lent. The Board noted that the question of the drywell for the outdoor warewashing station will be addressed prior to transfer of the property.

**Iacono, 16 Clambelly Road (7-<sup>32</sup>~~64.2~~)** Dee Smith came to the Board to discuss the condition of the abutting property, which she has tried over a long period of time to address directly with the abutter with little to no success. She noted that some of the debris and discarded equipment is in fact encroaching on her property, that some of it (like discarded car batteries, marine bottom paint on the ground, gas cans, etc) could pose environmental or health risks, and that prospective buyers of her property have expressed concern and hesitation about the property. She asked the Board to address aspects of this situation within the purview of public health. The Board will seek to address these issues.

**Heilbroner, 147 South Road (17-9)** The Board **approved** a well construction permit for a proposed drinking water well to serve a proposed single family dwelling which will replace a tear-down. The proposed well location meets all separation requirements.

**The Bite, 29 Basin Road (21-18)** The Board held a discussion with property owner Bob Nixon and Chef Michael Alton about proposed plans for the Bite to open as a satellite outlet to the Homeport Restaurant, which would be the place where all food destined for the Bite is received and prepared. The Board noted that significant hurdles remain in bringing the Bite facility up to standard, specifically with respect to the failed cesspool currently serving the building.

**Wheeler, 33 High Mark (26-77)** The Board **approved** a proposed well construction permit to serve a four-bedroom house that will replace a tear-down. The well location meets all separation

requirement. The existing well must be decommissioned in accordance with DEP private well guidelines.

**Eaton, 129 Old Farm Road (3-42)** The Board reviewed a septic construction permit application prepared by Doug Dowling to tie in a Barn Studio (one bedroom) to a system serving a greenhouse deemed to use a 10gpd per worker flow for a total of 110gpd. The additional flow from the proposed Barn Studio A letter provided by Doug Dowling clarifies that the existing system has a design flow of 500gpd. The Board determined that the existing system has sufficient capacity to accommodate the proposed flow increase and **approved** the proposed plan.

**Brudnick, 73 Bijah's Way (7-12)** Reid Silva presented a tie in plan for a proposed bath house / pool cabana. An ejector pump will be installed from the pool house. The existing septic system is sized for five bedrooms. The Board noted that, at 800sf, the pool cabana is going to count as a bedroom. The Board asked Marina Lent to do a bedroom count and to determine whether a garbage grinder has been installed in the system, which would impact required flow.

**Willner, 34 High Mark (26-80)** Reid Silva presented a septic plan revised to accommodate a pool, which will require moving the proposed leach field. A Presby system will be used for the sandy-slope location, and an additional test hole will be required. The Board **approved** the proposed plan and advised confirmation of soils at the time of building excavation.

#### **6:10pm Public Hearing, cont'd**


**15 Doctor's Creek Path (24-135)** The Board continued its public hearing on the septic system construction permit application revision prepared by Reid Silva. The tanks have been moved slightly. Three bedrooms confirmed by Health Department bedroom count. The Board voted to **approve** the proposed upgrade, which is an improvement over the existing system.

**MacIsaac, 199 State Road (33-117)** The Board determined that a proposed septic upgrade to serve a new dwelling following a tear-down for this property will require a hearing since a variance to Chilmark BOH coastal district separation requirement of 300' distance between leaching systems is proposed. The date and time will be 5:30 on August 7, 2019.

**Iacono 16 Clambelly Road (7-32)** Reid Silva presented a septic construction plan to serve a guest house on the property. The Board **approved** the permit but noted the need to supply a revised plan stating that soil beneath the system will be compacted prior to placement of system components.

**Poole, 10 Basin Road (27.1-109)** The Board took note of transmittal of a Permanent Solution Statement from the Bennett Environmental Company that work undertaken to eliminate all active sources of petroleum impact has been satisfactorily completed.

The meeting adjourned at 19:24 hours.

  
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