

CHILMARK BOARD OF HEALTH

Minutes

September 2, 2020,

via zoom

5pm

Present:, Matt Poole, Jan Buhrman, Katie Carroll

Also Present: George Sourati, Reid Silva, Nancy Grundman, Eddie and Ben, Helen Parker, Ben Birnbach, Jack Taylor, Lucy Taylor,

CCC Tennis Program: Changes that have been made to the program agreed to by the Board for the summer season are that the fence around the basketball court has been removed to allow the court to be used by the school; courts will be locked when not in use; and staffing for the tennis program will not be maintained during hours when the tennis program is not in session. The Board granted provisional approval for the plan, pending agreement with the school and Board of Selectmen approval.

Town Hall Emergency Services Building: Reid Silva came to the Board for a preliminary discussion of septic options for the proposed Fire Station. He noted that the Fire Station will not represent an increase in flow for the site, and that, depending on reconfiguration of parking at the site, it may be possible to keep the existing septic system, or to rebuild a system at the existing location. Matt Poole pointed out that the town hall septic, to also serve the new building could probably benefit from careful consideration for an upgrade given age, location, and past and future use. The Board felt that this would be a reasonable option.

Goodman, 75 Cobbs Hill Road (11-25.2): The Board reviewed a plan to tie in a proposed pool pavilion via an ejector pump and force main to the existing system. The Board asked to review a plan for the pavilion to ensure that it does not qualify as an additional bedroom, and determined that it does not. The proposed plan was **approved** by the Board.

Pershel, 33 Hammett Road (8-6): Reid Silva presented plans for a proposed 1,5000g tank and Presby leaching field for an existing four-bedroom house with proposed one-bedroom addition. The Board noted that the plan does not reflect the location of the existing leaching pit, nor does it specify that the installer of the system must be Presby certified. The Board **approved** the permit pending receipt of a revised plan showing the missing information.

Blue Door, 21 Squibnocket Road (35-24) Lucy and Jack Taylor came before the Board with a renovation proposal to add a full bath to the finished basement in the newly-renovated home at 21 Squibnocket Road. At issue is whether the bedrooms in the dwellings are within the capacity of the existing septic system. Marina Lent reported on a bedroom count conducted at the dwelling, with the question to put before the board as to whether the office/study is to be considered a

bedroom or not. The room has windows to the hallway, however, the windows are high up enough that a person who is not tall cannot peer in, and the windows are closable, potentially allowing for privacy. The Board felt that the best solution would be that one of the spaces, either the basement room or the office room, should be designated as not for sleeping by way of a deed restriction, and asked Marina Lent to send a model deed restriction to the homeowners for their consideration.

Parker 300 North Road (13-4): George Sourati came to the Board to present a proposed reconfiguration of a previously-approved 4-lot subdivision. At issue is that, under the proposed reconfiguration, one of the proposed well locations for one of the lots would require a variance to the proposed property line of 12', rather than the 30' required by Chilmark BOH Regulations. George Sourati noted that Title 5 does allow for an easement to be created on the abutting lot to accommodate the required separation. The Board felt that an easement is meant to alleviate a hardship, which is not the case here, and suggested that the property line be adjusted to accommodate the well instead. The subdivision plan has been filed with the Zoning Board of Appeals but the lot lines can be revised to accommodate the 30' well separation requirement.

IHC FY21 contract: The board agreed to renew the public nursing contract with the Island Health Care clinic, with the understanding that the terms of the contract allow for significant re-orientation of the focus of the program to address the demands placed on public nursing by the global pandemic currently underway.

Island-Wide Youth Collaborative (IWYC): The Board asked Marina Lent to check in with the program director and to consult with other island public health staff on the activities of this program in FY21.