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Board of Health Meeting

Minutes of December 13, 2016

The Tisbury Board of Health met on December 13th at the Tisbury Annex Building. Commissioners in attendance were Jeff Pratt, Malcolm Boyd and Dr. Loberg. Also in attendance was Maura Valley and Joan Malkin. Dr. Jeff Pratt presided and called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Old Business: Nitrogen Regulations

Mrs. Valley stated that she had incorporated the changes that were made to the Nitrogen Regulations by Mr. Doneski and had forwarded the updated version to Dr. Loberg and Ms. Malkin. Ms. Malkin reviewed the changes with the Commissioners.

Action: Dr. Loberg moved that in as much as the regulation were adopted in October of 2016 subject to counsel's review and that counsel recommended changes are now reflected in the current draft, that the regulations now be effective as of December 13, 2016. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Boyd asked that a bullet point list of all the triggers for the regulation be created so that a person could view them at a glance. Mrs. Valley stated she would put together a document to simplify the regulations which could be dispersed to the public. Mr. Pratt stated as Chairman of the BOH that the Town owes a debt of gratitude to the Commissioners of the Board of Health, to Ms. Malkin and Dr. Loberg. Dr. Loberg suggested sitting down with the engineers to walk them through the new regulations. Mr. Pratt suggested doing it with the Wastewater Committee and Sewer Board. There was discussion of the grant for water testing. Dr. Loberg stated that Mr. Heufelder had received a grant to pilot the "layer cake" septic system of which two would be located on the island.

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The minutes of November 29, 2016 were unanimously approved.

4:00 p.m. Health Agent Operational Updates

Mrs. Valley returned to the issue of voluntary upgrades in the watershed districts and whether they would be allowed to put in a pilot treatment system if they didn't meet any of the triggers and are not expanding their use. The board determined that they would not be required to use a denitrifying system. Dr. Loberg stated he would not be opposed to asking the person to engineer the system so that a denitrifying tank could be dropped in at a later date.

Mrs. Valley asked the Board how they would like the process for hiring a new secretary to work. Mr. Pratt stated he would like Mrs. Valley and Ms. Fuller to handle the process and keep the Board informed.

Mrs. Valley reported that there had been no progress on the Duarte property. Mrs. Valley gave a report on the agencies she has been in touch with regarding this issue. Mrs. Valley asked the Board for permission to seek legal counsel for obtaining a lien to clean out the property.

Action: Mr. Pratt made a motion to seek town counsel on how to proceed. The Board will conduct a final review of Counsel's recommendation(s). The motion was approved, unanimously.

DWAs approved by the Board:

4013	Mark Nicoteria	194 West Spring Street	23-A-9.2
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4020	Richard McElhinney	Winyah Circle	14-A-10.1
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Action: Mr. Pratt made a motion to approve and invite Mr. McElhinney to participate in a study with the DOH. The motion was approved, unanimously.

4016	Earl & Lynn Ray	66 Weaver Lane	13-D-11
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Action: Dr. Loberg made a motion to withhold judgement and invite the property owner to interview and propose a nitrogen system given the sensitive nature of their property. The motion was approved, unanimously.

Action: The Commissioners unanimously voted to approve the following bills:
MHOA \$60.00, Comcast \$76.49, Wright-Pierce \$5,797.40

Next meeting: tentative due to holiday season

The following vacations were reviewed:

Mrs. Valley: February 6-17 and March 6-10

Dr. Loberg: Last week of January and first week of February, roughly.

Mr. Pratt: Late March/April

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With no further business to conduct the Board of Health meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Fuller

Approval: The Board of Health to accept the meeting minutes as presented.

Date:

Jeff Pratt

Chairman

Documents: Revised Nitrogen Regulations