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Meeting Minutes – July 9, 2019 – 4:00 PM

The Tisbury Board of Health (BOH) met on Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at the Tisbury Town Hall Annex.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

Commissioners in attendance were Chairman Jeff Pratt, Vice-Chairman Malcolm Boyd, and Clerk Dr. Michael Loberg. Ms. Maura Valley, Health Agent, Ms. Catie Blake, Assistant Health Agent, and Valerie Soushek, Administrative Secretary, were also in attendance.

APPOINTMENT

4:30 PM Mike Sawyer

Re: septic/sewer status at 317 State Road / 1 DeBettencourt Way

Mr. Mike Sawyer appeared before the commissioners to request a postponement to upgrade the failed septic system at 1 DeBettencourt Way as he does not want to displace the current tenants who have a lease until January 31, 2019. Mr. Sawyer stated that he would continue to treat and have the system pumped as frequently as necessary to prevent an overflow of sewage. He is also conducting visual inspections every 1-2 weeks.

Mr. Sawyer stated that there are no concrete plans for future large-scale development at the property.

The commissioners approved a postponement until 12/31/2019 as long as there continues to be limited use and the system is surveilled regularly.

4:45 PM George Sourati

Re: septic plan for Bill & Judy McConnell / 22 Hillman's Point Way

Mr. George Sourati was not in attendance as Mr. and Mrs. McConnell's agent.

Ms. Valley explained that Mr. and Mrs. McConnell, who were present for the meeting, have been ordered to upgrade their current septic system consisting of two (2) single cesspools. Mr. Sourati's septic design requests three (3) variances to the coastal district regulations, but as Ms. Valley stated, the design is the best possible scenario for the upgrade. Further, it meets all Title 5 regulations.

The commissioners voted to approve the variances as requested on Mr. Sourati's proposed septic plan.

5:00 PM Kimberly Kirk
Re: Body art permit for Anthony Sandoval

Ms. Kirk came before the BOH commissioners as an agent of Khanh Tran and Masterpiece Tattoo regarding licensure of Mr. Sandoval as a body art practitioner at Masterpiece Tattoo in Tisbury.

Ms. Valley reminded the commissioners, and provided documentation showing, that Mr. Sandoval was promoting his services prior to becoming a licensed practitioner in the Town. Ms. Kirk assured the commissioners that the space is not set up for practicing;

The commissioners stated that they would not be inclined to grant a license to Mr. Sandoval based on his history of soliciting business without licensure by the Board of Health.

The commissioners further stated that they would be willing to consider another practitioner for Masterpiece Tattoo.

HEALTH AGENT OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Proposed Grease Regulations

The commissioners voted to hold a public hearing at their regularly scheduled meeting on August 13, 2019.

Nursing Contract

Ms. Valley recommended signing the FY 2020 contract with Island Health Care, as there is no difference from the contract for FY 2019. Additionally, proposed changes will be addressed as needed in meetings with the other island health agents.

As recommended by Ms. Valley, the commissioners voted to sign the FY 2020 contract with Island Health Care.

Main Street – Sewer Odor

Ms. Valley reported that she has been receiving complaints of a sewer odor from Main Street retailers, mainly in Mardell's and Vineyard Vines. It is believed that the random odor coincides with the pump-outs of the ferries into the municipal sewer line by the Steamship Authority (SSA) in Vineyard Haven Harbor during construction at the Woods Hole SSA terminal. Ms. Valley has been working with Tisbury Wastewater to confirm

the cause. The retailers who have noticed the odor have been asked to keep a log with dates and times of the odor incidents when noticed. The SSA has been asked to provide a schedule of their pump-outs. Ms. Valley has also walked two (2) of the Main Street properties with the plumbing inspector, Mr. Michael Ciano, to see if any plumbing issues could be the cause of the odor, to no avail.

Tobacco Regulations

Ms. Valley and Ms. Blake reviewed the proposed revisions to the tobacco regulations prior to the public hearing on July 23, 2019. Ms. Blake confirmed that there are currently no adult-only tobacco stores in Tisbury. The attrition policy for licenses was also clarified for the commissioners. The commissioners confirmed their approval of the proposed regulations as written for presenting at the public hearing.

Barrier Beach Clarification - 455 Herring Creek Road

According to the definition of a barrier beach property and Ms. Jane Varkonda's confirmation, the commissioners agreed that this parcel, 31-B-5, should not be classified as a designated barrier beach.

ASSISTANT HEALTH AGENT OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Tisbury Street Fair

Ms. Blake reported that the street fair was a success. There were no issues with the food vendors, most of whom were repeat vendors. The booths were sold out.

Disposal Works Applications (DWAs) Approved by the Commissioners

- 4201 William & Judith McConnell / 22 Hillman's Point Way / 57-A-2 - approved
- 4204 Charles & Donna Creighton / 44 Red Buoy Lane / 14-B-2 – approval postponed until next meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Postponement of septic repair/sewer tie-in – 43 Main Street / 7-F-23

Approved with the following conditions:

- The new deadline is *September 30, 2019* if the property owners choose to excavate, repair and inspect the tank serving the property.
- The new deadline is *November 30, 2019* if the property owners choose to connect the system to the municipal sewer line.
- A letter of intent detailing plans for mitigation of the tank seam leak must be provided to the BOH office *by August 31, 2019*.

BILLS AND PERMITS FOR APPROVAL

With no further business to conduct the Board of Health commissioners adjourned the meeting at 5:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Soushek
Administrative Secretary

Document(s)

The Board of Health commissioners accept the meeting minutes, dated July 9, 2019, as presented.

Date:

9/13/19

Signed:

