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Mr. Robinson:

At their regular meeting on March 9, 2023, the Tisbury Zoning Board of Appeals addressed the issue of the possible change to language in section 04.03.13.

There seems to be some confusion as to when condition (b) in this bylaw changed because prior to 2018 no such language existed. In fact, after initial review by myself and Amy Upton, no minutes were found where the Planning Board addressed this change.

There appears to be very little information with the reasoning behind the change, unlike most if not all of the previous bylaw amendments and because of this it appears this issue was not appropriately promulgated.

Aside from when this section was amended, after a verbal vote of the members of the ZBA, they unanimously agreed that striking condition (b) was warranted, both because of the improper vetting of the original amendment possibly in 2018 and because the members felt that they would have never agreed to this had they known in advance.

If a property owner was forced to comply with the requirements of Schedule A when applying for an accessory apartment with so many non-compliant lots and structures that exist in town would impose unnecessary restrictions in a time when Tisbury so desperately needs housing

Sincerely on behalf of the Board,



Laura Barbera
Administrator