

Truro Board of Health Minutes
October 17, 2017
4:30 PM-Truro Town Hall

Members Present: Chair Tracey Rose, Member Mark Peters, Member Peter Van Stratum, Member Tim Rose, Vice-Chair Jason Silva
Others Present: Health Agent Emily Beebe

Chair Tracey Rose called the meeting to order at 4:46PM. Ms. Rose requested that everyone speak clearly for the video recorder. She asked if anyone in the audience was recording. No one replied in the affirmative.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES

October 3, 2017

Mr. Silva moved to approve the minutes as submitted.

Mr. Rose seconded.

Vote: 5-0-0 motion carries.

REPORTS

Water Resources Oversight Committee

Next WROC meeting will be October 26, 2017 at 3:30PM at the Public Safety Facility.

Health Agent's Report

Ms. Beebe reported that applications for 2018 licenses have been sent out and that the flu clinic had been successful with 84 attendees.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Dutra, 587 Shore Road - Variances requested to title 5

Ms. Rose recused herself.

Tim Brady of East Cape Engineering approached the Board. A very similar project to what is depicted on the plan was permitted on April 8, 2011 and it expires on April 8, 2018, however, the Conservation Commission's Order of Conditions expired. The proposal is for the existing 4 bedroom main house and three proposed 2 bedroom cottages, which would mean a 10 bedroom septic system. The property is connected to Town water. Mr. Brady also stated that it has high ground water issues, which would mean the leaching facility is proposed above ground with a liner as part of its design. Along with the

Title 5 variances, Mr. Brady stated that they are also requesting a waiver of time so that the buyer can install the system. Mr. Brady discussed an existing leaching catch basin that existed on the property and the requested variance as far as setbacks to said catch basin. Mr. Silva made the disclosure that he was listed as the installer on the original permit and that he has no plans or contract to do the install this time around. Mr. Peters asked what the time frame is for the project. Mr. Brady did not have an answer but stated that they will work with whatever time frame the Board desires. Mr. Peters stated that the house could not be occupied until the system was upgraded. Mr. Brady felt that the house should be allowed to be occupied and that the installation of the septic system prior to the site work for the construction of the cottages would not work out as far as limiting site access. The group discussed just installing a system for the house and then adding to it later when the cottages have been constructed.

Mr. Peters moved to approve the plan with the variances requested with the following conditions: 1.) applicant has 90 days from the date of the sale to install the system whether that be a system just for the house or the entire 10 bedroom system, 2.) the existing house shall not be occupied until the new septic system has been installed.

Mr. Rose seconded.

Vote: 4-0-0, motion carries.

Ms. Rose returned.

2. A Helena Mota Haskins, 345 Shore Road, White Village Cottages; Change of Manager, (Continued from Oct 3 agenda)

The applicant was not present. Ms. Beebe stated that the property was inspected through a Team Inspection resulting in no corrections and that the septic system inspection is up to date.

Mr. Peters moved to continue the hearing to the November 7, 2017 meeting.

Mr. Rose moved.

Vote: 5-0-0, motion carries.

LICENSING RENEWAL

1. Braemar – 132 Shore Rd

Ms. Beebe stated that everything was in order.

Mr. Peters moved to approve the 2018 licensing renewal for Braemar Condominiums.

Mr. Rose seconded.

Vote: 5-0-0, motion carries

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Herring River restoration

Mr. Peters stated that the Lower Cape has 3 lenses: Pilgrim lens, Pamet lens, and the Chequesett lens. The Pilgrim lens was found to be contaminated, which is why Provincetown has to use Truro water. He feels the Herring River Restoration will have a great effect on the lenses since fresh water sits on top of

salt water. Mr. Van Stratum asked why there was such a rush for this project. Ms. Beebe informed him of 1.) the reasons for the project, 2.) that the study has been going on since the 90's. She also read from the report with regards to Mr. Peter's concern of lens contamination. That quote was as follows: "salt marsh peat has low permeability which allows for very little exchange between the peat marsh and that aquifer."

Mr. Rose motioned to adjourn.

Mr. Peters seconded.

Vote: 5-0-0, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Arozana Davis

Chair-Tracey Rose

Vice Chair-Jason Silva

Clerk-Mark Peters

Peter Van Stratum, Member

Tim Rose, Member