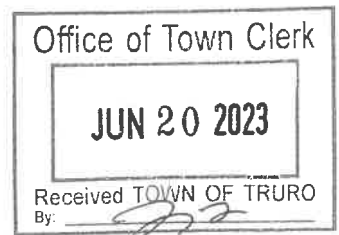


Minutes of the Truro Board of Health, Tuesday May 16, 2023

This was a remote meeting.

**Board members in attendance:**

Chair Tracey Rose, Vice Chair Jason Silva; Board Members: Helen Grimm and alternate Candida Monteith; Also Present: Health Agent Emily Beebe, Assistant Health Agent Courtney Warren.

Absent: Members Tim Rose and Brian Koll

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 PM by the Chair, who described the remote meeting procedures and the process for public participation.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment for topics not on the agenda.

Variance request/ Local upgrade approval: 70 Shore Road- David Couganhowr presented a revised plan dated May 7, 2023, showing 3 bedrooms in the single-family dwelling. There were numerous variances to the property sideline setbacks, and to the foundation of the building, which were unavoidable due to the size of the lot. The degree of environmental protection provided was not affected by the variances needed. The property is served by Town Water service. **Motion: Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the variances requested. Second: Board member Jason Silva; Vote: 4-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Note: the agenda item on a waiver request for the septic system installation was incomplete and could not be heard.

Local variance request: 4 Old Pamet Rd, Map 50- Parcel 234. David Bennett was present to represent CSN engineering on behalf of the Thurlow/Stinson family. He noted a deed restriction limiting the removal of trees, which has restricted the options for location of the soil absorption system. The only variance was to the setback to wetland resource areas, which could not be avoided at this site. The degree of environmental protection provided was not affected by the variances needed. **Motion: Chair Jason Silva move to approve the request for local variances; Second: Board member Helen Grimm; Vote: 4-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion to deny the variance was approved.**

Variance request for Tier III Bathing Beach Sampling: The Board was asked to grant the sampling variances for the tier II beaches Ballston, Coast Guard, Corn Hill, Fisher, Great Hollow, Head of the Meadow, Longnook and Ryder Beach. The Agent provided a brief description of the state requirements for sampling bathing beaches, and the basis for the variance requests. The water quality has been consistently sampled and found to be very clean, and not needing to be sampled as frequently as other beaches in Town. **Motion: Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the variances as requested. Second: Board member Jason Silva; Vote: 4-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Change of Manager: Change of Manager: 510 Shore Road, Sea Haven, RKM is the proposed new manager, and due to the size of the condominium, (3units) they will be the off-site manager.

Motion: Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the new manager; Second: Board member Jason Silva; Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.

Change of Manager: 82 Shore Rd, Salt Air Condos – Arnold Greenfield (on-site) & RKM (off-site) This matter was discussed, and there were some issues at one unit that still needed to be addressed (unit 7). The office will hold the permit until the matter is in compliance. **Motion: Board member Jason Silva moved to approve the new manager; Second: Board member Helen Grimm; Vote: 4-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

New Farmers Market Permit: Cape Cakes, Geri Leonard was present to describe her operation. After brief discussion there was a motion to approve the new permit. **Motion: Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the permit; Second: Board member Jason Silva; Vote: 4-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Water Resources Update the Health Agent reviewed the May report. There were questions about the Barnstable County lab and when they will start to accept samples to test for PFA's and PFOA's. Jack Reimer asked the Board to let the Town know what the costs associated with the Comprehensive wastewater management plan would be. Mr. Reimer also questioned the Board and why they would not want to test the beaches more, not less. There was brief discussion about the variability of bathing beach water quality and the difficulty attributing causality to high bacteria counts. The Chair requested that the bathing water quality testing process and history be available on the Town's website.

PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed amendments to Board of Health regulations:

Section VI-local septic regulations to supplement title 5. The Health Agent reviewed the amended regulations, and let the Board know that the draft was at Town Counsels office, for comments. It was suggested that the Board continue the public hearing to the next meeting after Counsel has provided comments.

Section VIII – Article 4 – rental registration well water test (change frequency from 4 months to 1 year). This was discussed briefly, and the benefit of the change was obvious. **Board member Helen Grimm made a Motion: to approve as presented; Second: Board member Jason Silva Vote: 4-0-0, the motion passed.**

Minutes: Chair Tracey Rose moved to continue the minutes to the June 6 Board of Health. Second: Board member Jason Silva; Vote: 4-0-0, the motion passed.

Board member Jason Silva moved to adjourn the meeting; Second: Board member Helen Grimm. Vote: 4-0-0, the motion passed

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 P.M.

Minutes prepared by Emily Beebe

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