Minutes of the Truro Board of Health, Tuesday May 3, 2022

This was a remote meeting.
Board members in attendance: Chair Tracey Rose, Vice Chair, Jason Silva, Board members: Helen Grimm, Brian Koll, Candida Monteith. Also Present: Health and Conservation Agent Emily Beebe.
The meeting was called to order at 4:33 PM by the Chair, Tracey Rose; she announced the remote meeting procedures and described the process for public participation.

Change of Manager for Whitman House Condominiums: Tom Makuen, Dave Frennesson, Sharon Mandi, Gavin Black, will be co-managers; RKM will be the off-site manager. After brief discussion, there was a motion to approve the application for new managers. **Motion: Board Member Brian Koll moved to approve the change of manager. Second: Board Member Jason Silva; vote: 5-0-0: The vote was unanimous, and the motion was approved.**

New Food Service Permit: Gavin Scott Cloud was on the call representing Jams. He was trying to open May 20 for the season and would be reaching out to the Health Department for inspection. **Motion: Board Member Brian Koll moved to approve the application for a new food service permit for Jams. Second: Board Member Helen Grimm; vote: 5-0-0: The vote was unanimous, and the motion was approved.** The Agent asked that the owner call for a pre-operational inspection prior to opening.

20 Great Hollow Road: A request for the extension to the waiver of time for installation. The request was to extend the date to August 12, 2022. **Motion: Board Member Helen Grimm moved to approve the extension until 8/12/2022; Second: Board Member Brian Koll; vote: 5-0-0: The vote was unanimous, and the motion was approved.**

Variance Request/Local Upgrade Approval: 127 & 133 South Pamet Road, This was an item continued from the 4/17/2022 meeting. A request was emailed by the applicant to continue the matter to May 17. The Agent was asked to provide an update on this matter. Since the Board last met on the project, the ZBA conditionally approved moving the Boathouse structure to the property at 127 South Pamet. There was a plan to remove the existing 1 BR studio on the property at 127 South Pamet and replace it with the Boathouse. There was still a question about what the configuration of the septic system would be. Board member Helen Grimm asked about the different ramifications of the lot size. The Agent stated that the applicant had calculated the current area that is upland, which does Candida Monteith was concerned about the letter from the Park service. The Agent replied that the concerns expressed appeared to be about zoning; Member Monteith asked if the property (127 and 133 South Pamet Road) would continue to be 2 lots or would be merged as 1 lot. She also asked that because there was a purchase, didn’t the system need to be upgraded? Further, because it is so close to the wetlands, didn’t it need to be I/A? The Agent replied that when a property is transferred, it must be inspected, and upgraded if it is in failure, or not to code; the Dennis property was inspected and has a title 5 system. **Motion: Board Member Brian Koll moved to continue the matter to the next Board of Health meeting on May 17, 2022; Second: Board Member Helen Grimm; vote: 4-0-1 with Tracey Rose abstaining; the motion was approved.**

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Local Board of Health Regulation Review
There was brief discussion about the ACO regulation draft, which included a sample letter from Provincetown, that demonstrated the use of the Administrative Consent Order process between the Town and property owners. Brian Koll noted that the purpose section of the regulation had not yet been completed, and some language was suggested. The Chair suggested that there needs to be criteria for use of this form, and that it would be used on a case-by-case basis.
Jason Silva was pleased that we were looking at this proactively and exploring options. He felt that the option of sewer options must include that Beach Point is a vulnerable resource area due to erosion. The Agent agreed, as Shore Road is a critical aspect of emergency planning, and also carries the public water supply; the conversation of low-lying roads is on-going and needs to be a part of the wastewater discussion.
Board Member Brian Koll had a question about the language in the proposed regulation relative to escrow payments and how they would be calculated. It was suggested that the draft regulation be reviewed again with Town Counsel and determine if monies in escrow would be required or optional, and if required how would that work, and with what criteria would “optional” be determined. The Agent suggested that the ACO may not necessarily need to just be used for a sewer connection but could be for a shared (cluster) system. The Chair agreed that this was a tool to keep the property owner engaged and a part of the solution.

Board Member Helen Grimm asked whether composting toilets would be options reviewed as part of the conversation on wastewater alternatives. This would be a topic that could be put in the hopper for consideration. (!)

Board Member Candida Monteith left the meeting at 6:15.

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Motion: Board Member Brian Koll moved to continue minutes to the next meeting; Second: Board Member Helen Grimm; vote: 4-0-0; the motion was approved.

REPORTS
Health Agent’s Report- The Agent reported an uptick in positive COVID-19 cases, in Truro, and neighboring Towns, especially in the schools. Also, announced the Outer Cape Public Health Needs assessment, which is easily found on the Health Department web page.

Motion: Board Member Jason Silva moved to adjourn the meeting
Second: Board Member Helen Grimm; vote: 4-0; the meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM

Respectfully Submitted by: Emily Beebe

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