

***Wellfleet Board of Health
Virtual Meeting ~ Zoom
Wednesday April 13, 2022, 5:30pm
Meeting Minutes***

Members Present: Ken Granlund, Chair; Gary Locke, Nick Picariello, Deb Freeman, Janet Drohan

Others Present: Hillary Greenberg Lemos, Health Agent; Rebekah Eldridge, Committee Secretary; Nicki Hill, Animal permit applicant; Robert Reedy, GMI Associates; Patrice Barrett, Community Assessment needs; Anastasia Rudenko, Curt Felix, Clean Water/Board of Water Commissioners member.

Chair Granlund called the meeting to order at 5:33pm

Animal Permits:

Vicki Hill, 790 Chequessett Neck Road Wellfleet, MA 01667

Chickens (7) ~ Hill gave some background on the permit she was seeking and information in the chickens. She stated she is only looking to have 4 chickens, but her pen is big enough for 7 of them. Lemos explained to the board that there has been a water test done and only questioned where her manure pile would be. Hill explained where she would put her manure, compost bins. The board discussed this permit.

Locke Moved; Picariello seconded; and it was voted to approve the animal permit for four chickens at 790 Chequessett Neck Road, Wellfleet.

Roll Call Vote: 4-0

Variances:

Septic System Upgrade; 550 Chequessett Neck Road, Wellfleet, MA 02667; Map # 19, Parcel #55 ~ Reedy explained he was representing the homeowners and gave information on where the septic will go, in the same spot as the failing septic tank. He explained the variances he was asking for and gave detail on each variance.

Chair Granlund asked Lemos if there were any concerns, Lemos asked about a basement in the building or was it a cement slab. There is a basement. They discussed the habitable space in the basement. The board discussed having the homeowner use the innovative septic system. Reedy explained that the homeowner has qualified for this due to an income issue.

Board Member Locke Moved; Board Member Picariello Seconded; and it was voted to approve the J.M. O' Reilly & Associates plan # JMO-9264, dated March 30, 2022, and grant the four variances requested in the letter dated April 4, 2022, for the upgrade of a septic system to serve a 4-bedroom structure, a grandfathered nonconforming dwelling, with respect to nitrogen loading. Subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Design Flow to be limited to 455 GPD, to serve 4 bedrooms**

2. No increase in habitable area without Board of Health Review
3. No Conversion of use without Board of Health Review
4. Well water testing prior to disposal works construction permit
5. Deed Recording
6. Flow Barrier to be installed around the foundation wall

Roll Call Vote: 4-1 (Picariello voted no)

Community Health Needs Assessment ~ Patrice Barrett

- Barrett spoke to the board and pointed out to the board that she had a slide show. She gave some of her background about beginning Covid contract tracing. She stated she is now working with surrounding towns, to look at public health needs assessment. Her slide show focused on services post covid and what towns need with regard to public health. The goal is to develop strategies and programs that people need engaging community members. She continued to discuss the steps and phases of the assessment process. Barrett explained each slide and the goals of this assessment at the end of the presentation she explained they are ready to launch this program. Drohan had a few questions for Barrett. The board discussed this needs assessment and expressed their excitement for this.

No Action Was Taken

Discussion with GHD for a wastewater update

- Rudenko spoke to the board about the sewer shed project. She had a slide show presentation for the board. She gave details and explained to them she gave this exact presentation to the Clean Water Advisory Committee. She explained the methodology of the plan. Each slide discussed sewer programs and the technology that would be used. Developing preliminary watershed areas was discussed. Rudenko continued explaining the preliminary sewer analysis. Two scenarios were provided to the board and each slide show what each scenario entailed and how each would work for the town. The board discussed the slide show and the different approaches that were given to them. Rudenko spoke to the board about a sewer analysis, Horsley spoke to the board on the analysis as well. Horsley continued explaining the slide show and the plan that he will be recommending to the town to send to Mass DEP.
- They board continued discussing the EIA systems and the IA systems and the monitoring that goes along with these systems. Picariello spoke about cesspools and moving from a cesspool to a regular innovative system would be a huge improvement. He spoke about the benefits of getting rid of the cesspools/ Lemos stated she would look into the amount of cesspools throughout the town.

No Action was taken

Board of Health Regulation Revision review

- Lemos pulled up the new amended regulations. She stated the board needs to look at this and decide what they like with the changes and once they have decided that they will be able to hold a public hearing to change the regulations and put them into effect. She went

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over all the changes. The board discussed the changes and had Lemos change some things at the meeting. The board will meet again to discuss the changes and make more amendments if needed. The board will go away and make mark ups on the regulations.

Lemos spoke to the board about her work on the Public Health Assessment.

Minutes:

- November 10, 2021, ~ **Freeman Moved; Chair Granlund Seconded; it was voted to approve the minutes as printed in draft. 4-1-0 (Locke Abstained)**
- November 17, 2021, ~ Joint Meeting with the Wellfleet Selectboard ~ **Drohan Moved; Board member Locke seconded; and it was voted to approve the minutes as printed. 3-0-2 (Freeman and Picariello abstained)**
- December 8, 2021, ~ Drohan had an amendment **Drohan moved; Board member Locke seconded; and it was voted to approve the minutes as amended; 5-0**
- January 12, 2022, ~ **Freeman Moved; Drohan Seconded; and it was voted to approve the minutes as printed 5-0**
- February 9, 2022, **Locke Moved; Picariello seconded; and it was voted to approve the minutes as printed. 4-0-1 (Freeman abstained)**
- March 9, 2022, **Picariello moved; Locke Seconded; and it was voted to approve the minutes 4-0-1 (Granlund abstained)**

Drohan Moved; Granlund Seconded; and it was voted to adjourn

Roll Call Vote: 5-0

Meeting Adjourned 7:40pm