



TOWN OF GROTON
Board of Health
173 Main Street
Groton, MA 01450

BOARD OF HEALTH
Robert J. Fleischer, Chairman
Susan Horowitz, Member
Jason Weber, Member

MINUTES

Date: Monday, June 20, 2016
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: 2nd Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall, 173 Main Street
Members Present: Robert Fleischer, Chairman; Dr. Susan Horowitz, Member; Jason Weber, Member
Remote Participation: None
Others Present: Ira Grossman, Nashoba Associated Board of Health Agent; Robin Eibye, Executive Assistant, Tom Orcutt, Water Dept. Superintendent

Chairman Fleischer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

12 Bixby Hill Road – In-ground Pool Installation Review

Owner, Brian Cartier was present. He provided Board members with a 7-page packet of rough plans for possible pool placements. Mr. Cartier gave a brief description of each rough plan therein.

A brief discussion ensued about page 7, which designates the front yard as the primary leaching area.

Mr. Weber asked Mr. Grossman if he thought the scenario on page 7 was reasonable to consider. Mr. Grossman replied that if the Board was comfortable with any one of the scenarios, then it should feel comfortable to proceed with a decision. Mr. Grossman said soil testing would demonstrate which, if any, of the scenarios was feasible. Depending on soil conditions, he continued, it's possible no variances would be needed.

Mr. Weber asked the other Board members if they would entertain the scenario on page 7 if the soil testing was supportive of it. Mr. Weber also stated his opinion that the Board should not ask a property owner to spend money (e.g. on testing) without offering consideration based upon the results.

A discussion ensued about a conditional approval of the scenario on page 7 with testing to prove whether or not the soil quality is viable. Mr. Grossman suggested using the soil survey map of the area and noted that the map may show good depth of soil.

It was agreed that Mr. Grossman would research the soil survey map of the area in question.

Mr. Weber moved to request Mr. Grossman to provide a copy of the online soil quality data to the homeowner and a copy to the Board, and to provide such information at the next BOH meeting.

Dr. Horowitz seconded and the motion carried 3:0.

49 Boathouse Road – Notice of Non-compliance

The property owner was not present. A discussion ensued about the property owner's longstanding failure to comply. Tom Orcutt, DPW Director was present and noted that Mr. Barbieri was blocking neighboring properties from connecting.

Mr. Weber moved to request that Mr. Barbieri install water, finalize the SDS design and obtain a permit by July 31, 2016, and complete the installation of the SDS by September 30, 2016.

Mr. Weber Dr. Horowitz seconded and the motion carried 3:0.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

The Board discussed providing tick and mosquito information on the Town website. It was decided that Mrs. Eibye will work with the IT Department to make information about tick- and mosquito-borne illnesses more readily available to visitors of the Town's website.

The Board reviewed the minutes dated June 6, 2016.

Mr. Weber moved to approve the minutes dated June 6, 2016, as written.

Dr. Horowitz seconded and the motion carried 3:0.

At 8:25 p.m., Dr. Horowitz moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Weber seconded and the motion carried 3:0.

Respectfully submitted by Robin Eibye, Executive Assistant

APPROVED: July 18, 2016
