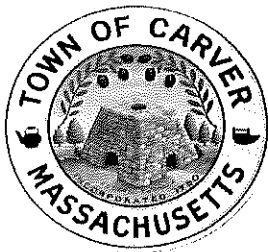


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Town of Carver, Board of Health

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Board of Health meeting minutes for October 20, 2021, Carver Town Hall, Meeting Room 4

Attendees: Eric Mueller, Chairman; Arthur Borden, Member

Also Present: Kevin Forgue, Health Agent

Absent: Barry Callis, Member

Meeting called to order, by Mr. Mueller at 5:00 PM

Public Hearings:

- On the application of Lisa Benway requesting the following variances associated with a septic system at 6 Beech Way on a 7,207 sq. ft. lot, Map 62, Lot 137, pursuant to 310CMR 15.405 Local Upgrade Approval;

Waiver request under maximum feasible compliance:

- To allow the proposed SAS to be 52 feet from the locus well
- To allow the proposed SAS to be 72 feet from the well at 4 Beech Way
- To allow the proposed SAS to be 80 feet from the well at 3 Hickory Way
- To allow the proposed SAS to be constructed 2 feet from the property line

Mr. Webby – This is a septic upgrade; the well is in the house. Hickory Way well is exposed. Mr. Mueller – Is there an existing pump system? Mr. Webby – No, there is a leaching field in the same area, that was put in during the mid 1980s. Mr. Mueller – Have they done a well test? Mr. Webby – Not yet. It's a vacant dwelling right now, I think it was a foreclosure. Mr. Forgue – Deed restriction? Mr. Mueller – Yes, for two bedrooms.

*Motion to approve the application for 6 beech way, with a 2 bedroom deed restriction, a well test for the existing structure, and a staked property line: Mr. Borden
Second: Mr. Mueller
Approved: Unanimous (2-0)*

Discussion:

- Covid-19 Update –
Mr. Forgue – No changes tonight. There were no new cases over the weekend but some new cases were reported on Mon/Tues.

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- Plymouth Street area water “tie-ins” –
Mr. Forgue – I am disappointed to announce that there is no proactive solution from our Select Board. I have spoken to the chairman as well as the Town Administrator. It’s out of our hands at this point. I will be getting more insistent. We received multiple bids and we have a low bid of \$50K for tie-ins. They are ready to go. Mr. Borden – These residents deserve an audience! Mr. Forgue – I have my own opinion on going forward. I don’t feel that the Town should pay for anything beyond connection but I will continue to push forward on this. Mr. Mueller – The road is a mess and won’t be fun to plow. Mr. Forgue – Typically the DPW waits a year to do the road.
- EEE Update/Planning –
Mr. Forgue – There have been no problems this year. The number of mosquitos sampled was 8,219, 133 tested positive for West Nile and zero positive for EEE. I received a memorandum from Plymouth County Mosquito Control that they will be doing spray to kill off larva. They will be doing this in the morning. I anticipate that they will be spraying in the spring like they did this year.
- PFAs Testing –
Mr. Forgue – Because we are still under that IRA process, they are putting that hit into the IRA. The Town is required to test. In the 19-20 homes, 3 have been tested (1 was tested twice), one positive and one on the line, 2 more tested on Captain Perkins with a non-detect result. I have sent out notices to other homes notifying them of upcoming test. The limits that are set are actually lifetime limits, but we have to do what the DEP asks us to do. The new results should be ready by mid-November.

Other Business:

Solar Array Poles in South Carver –

Mr. Germain - At the last meeting, I stated to the Conservation Commission that I want to see reports by independent third party scientists. I have been informed that the farmers have sold the land to the developers. We originally approved steel; they changed to wood, without approval. Mr. Forgue - I asked if they would they be interested in doing a test site around the facility to draw samples several times per year? They were amenable to that. Mr. Germain – So what happens if the samples change? How do we fix that? Mr. Forgue – What was discussed and provided by them was pretty convincing; Steven Pattera was pretty convincing. Mr. Germain – I agree, but what happens when they are wrong? Mr. Forgue – They’ve stated that, over time, anything that can leach out of the poles, diminishes. Mr. Germain – You are talking about a large number of poles concentrated in a relatively small area. Who will be held accountable? Mr. Forgue – They also talked about VOCs that are water soluble. These are heavy metals and adhere to the surrounding soils which results in a very good filter. They say that the composition of the peat interacts with the steel and would require that the steel posts be replaced every 10 years. Mr. Mueller – Was part of the permit that they would harvest berries? Mr. Germain – Yes, they are dual use. No one has ever done dual use for berries. Mr. Borden – They need to file an amended Notice of Intent and they need to go before the Planning Board again. You should be able to keep the stop work order in place until that happens. Mr. Germain – I don’t know if Conservation will go for that this evening.

Minutes – September 21, 2021.


*Motion to approve the meeting minutes for September 21, 2021, as written: Mr. Borden
Second: Mr. Mueller*

Discussion:

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)

Correspondence:

Next meeting date:

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, November 18, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. 

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 5:58 PM: Mr. Mueller

Second: Mr. Borden

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)