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Town of Carver, Board of Health

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Board of Health meeting minutes for May 16, 2017, Carver Town Hall, Meeting Room 3

Attendees: Arthur Borden, Chairman; David Lawrence, Member; Eric Mueller, Member

Also Present: Kevin Fogue, Health Agent

Meeting called to order, by Mr. Borden, at 5:02 PM

Reorganization of Board:

I nominate Arthur as the Chairman: Mr. Lawrence

Second: Mr. Mueller

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

Public Hearings:

On the application of M&J Holdings, LLC requesting 1 reduction under 15.405 (1) (g), located at 125 Plymouth St. to allow a septic system upgrade on Lot 55 Map 19 being 13, 495 S.F.

Requested Reduction- Installation of a soil absorption system 59' from the well on the property, instead of 100'.

Joe Webby, Webby Engineers – Mark Comeau purchased this property as a short sale and wants to rehab and sell it. The existing well is 59'. The abutting wells are 140+ and 300+ feet. He would like to keep the existing well. Mr. Mueller: Is it a shallow well? Mr. Webby – Yes. He would be happy to bring in a water sample. Mr. Mueller – Everything is sloped away. Do we know which way the water runs, up that way? Mr. Fogue: I believe it would be North. Mr. Borden – What is everyone thinking?

No Problems expressed from Mr. Lawrence and Mr. Mueller. Mr. Mueller – Can he get us a copy of well conditions for the file? Mr. Webby: Yes, not a problem.

Motion to approve reduction from 100' to 59' as submitted: Mr. Lawrence

Second: Mr. Mueller

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

Discussion:

Possible increase for dump/beach stickers:

Mr. Forgue – Is this something that the Selectmen should be doing? Mr. Borden – They have been sold through the BOH as we had the help to sell them. Mr. Forgue – Dump/Beach sticker cost is currently \$20 for 2 years. We are busy with perhaps 6 or so per day. Mr. Mueller – Private haulers are about \$30 / month. I would be in favor of \$20 for each. Mr. Forgue – Any fee increase has to be submitted to the selectmen and they will take it up at the end of the fiscal year. We can submit as a recommendation to up the fee and apply to the sticker as we only have one sticker for both. \$40 for 2 years.

Number of Board of Health members: 3 Elected, 2 Appointed Alternates?:

Mr. Forgue – Whatever the board wants to do. Mr. Mueller – Yes, I think we should have two alternates. This will help with vacations, etc. The board is in agreement. Mr. Forgue will discuss with Mr. Milanoski.

Procedure to implement fee increases, regulation changes and Board of Health authorization of Health Agent:

Fee Increases:

Mr. Forgue – The increases have to go before the Selectmen for approval. They are looking at fee increases town hall wide. I looked at some of the other fees and we are right in line with other towns. Mr. Mueller – Are we getting a fee when someone submits a report for title 5? The fees for this vary in surrounding towns. Mr. Forgue – We have one, it's \$25. I do review reports when they come in.

Regulations Changes:

As long as a public hearing has taken place, (we have posted hearing and agenda) I believe that qualifies for notification. Mr. Mueller – Maybe we can have Debbie send a note to current licensed inspectors in town. Mr. Forgue – If it's presented to a couple of people, word will travel.

Authorization of Health Agent:

Mr. Borden – We should have something from town council. Mr. Milanoski feels all appointments fall to him. If you read 111, we don't need a health agent but do have the power to appoint if we choose to do so. I think it is past time, we need a clear path of authority. Reading governing bylaws, it does not mention the Board of Health anywhere. Mr. Forgue – how do we initiate that discussion? Mr. Borden – Do we need to reach out to Mr. Milanoski to get approval from selectmen to do this? Mr. Mueller – Maybe a general request to have Mr. Milanoski and Mr. Dunham come to the next meeting to discuss further. Mr. Borden – I feel the Board of Health is governed by Mass General Law. This should be on the agenda for next meeting. Mr. Forgue – I will reach out to both of them.

Final language for policy regarding cesspools and reserve areas:

A proposed final language was distributed to board members. Mr. Mueller – Do we want to add confirmation of soils (bottom hole inspection)? Mr. Forgue – Yes, that's a good idea. Mr. Borden – Yes, that will not hold anything up. Mr. Mueller – I think we need a breakdown of what a cesspool is? Maybe take the definition out of title 5.

Mr. Mueller - Can we make it easier for contractors to do applications on line (standard construction permit)? They can do it on line and then bring it in. They wont have to come in to get the application first. Mr. Forgue – I will look into that.

Other Business:

Minutes – April 18, 2017:

Motion to approve minutes of April 18, 2017, as written: Mr. Lawrence

Second: Mr. Mueller

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

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Correspondence: None

Next meeting date:

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 5:00.□

Adjournment –

Motion to adjourn at 5:43 PM: Mr. Lawrence

Second: Mr. Mueller

Approved: □ Unanimous (3-0)