# BOARD OF HEALTH – TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM MEETING MINUTES February 22, 2022 – 7:30 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Wendy Parrinello, Board Secretary

## STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Adequate Notice of this meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Mendham was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to the Observer Tribune and Daily Record on February 3, 2022. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Township offices and notice was filed with the Township Clerk.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Led by Mr. Benjamin Weber

#### THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

Dr. Trishna Goswami

Mr. Jesse Smith

Mr. Benjamin Weber

Mr. John Atkins, Alternate 1

Ms. Daniela Caporrino, Alternate 2

## APPROVAL OF JANUARY 25, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Weber makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Smith seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL: YES** 

Dr. Goswami

Mr. Smith

Mr. Weber

Mr. Atkins

Ms. Caporrino

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **BLOCK 142 LOT 1**

**APPLICANT: Anthony Trezza** 

**APPLICATION:** New Septic Construction – 2 Browning Court – DJ Egarian & Associates, Inc. (septic); Appel Design Group (architecture)

- There are no representatives present for the septic project at 2 Browning Court.
- Mr. Weber points out that there is no waiver being sought for this project and states that the Board can move forward with the review.
- Mr. Weber asks that Ms. Freer review the memos provided to the Board.
- Ms. Freer explains that this is a new construction project for a five-bedroom home.

- Ms. Freer states that Mr. Korshalla and herself both have similar memos and that Mr. Korshalla has two additional comments.
- Ms. Freer states that Mr. Korshalla notes that the waterline is not shown. Ms. Freer explains that while the waterline is not shown on the septic plan it is shown on the site plan as well as on the soil erosion and sediment control plan. The applicant will be connecting to municipal water from the front of the home.
- Mr. Korshalla notes that the bedrooms aren't labeled. The architecture shows four bedrooms but the septic system is designed for five bedrooms. Mr. Weber states that the Board should ask the applicant to update the plan to note that they are seeking approval for a four-bedroom home.
- Ms. Freer explains that the proposed disposal field is 14ft. from the property line and 27ft. from the edge of the pavement. There is a 50ft. right of way into the road; the reserve area is 10ft. from the property line and 23ft. from the edge of the pavement. Ms. Freer states that it is rather close and isn't sure how the Board would like to proceed with that.
- Mr. Weber confirms with Mr. Mills that in recent other applications, the Board has taken the view that the street is not the same as an adjoining property line. Mr. Mills states that that is correct and that the reason for separation is from one septic system to another and that there's no likelihood that a septic system would be installed under a public road or within the right of way.
- Dr. Goswami asks what the minimum requirement is for distance from the property owner line and the septic system. Ms. Freer states that it's 25ft to the property owner line, which results in at least 50ft. from any adjacent owner's septic system so that one property owner is not affected by the other's septic system.
- Mr. Mills further explains that since a right of way will not be improved with another well or septic system that the 50ft. of total separation is respected.
- Dr. Goswami is asking if the 10ft. from the reserve area is appropriate or if it's too close to the property line. Mr. Weber acknowledges that, while the 10ft. distance is very close, the presence of the road as a buffer means the 25ft. minimum the Board is trying to achieve in the ordinance (and for this application) is still satisfied.
- Mr. Weber would like the applicant to indicate that they are seeking approval for a four-bedroom home even though the septic system is designed for five-bedrooms.
- Mr. Weber asks the Board and the public if there are any other comments or questions for this septic application.
- Mr. Weber makes the motion that the plans are approved as proposed with two clarifications.
  - a. Applicant to indicate that the approval sought is for a four-bedroom home.
  - b. Waterline to be depicted on drawing number 2.
- Dr. Goswami seconds the motion.

**ROLL CALL: YES** 

Dr. Goswami

Mr. Smith

Mr. Weber

Mr. Atkins

Ms. Caporrino

#### HEALTH OFFICER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Reviewed by Ms. Freer. Full reports available in the Board of Health Office

### *January, 2022*

- Dr. Carlos Perez, Health Officer, and Cindie Bella, Public Health Nurse, have confirmed with Mendham Township Middle School and Atlantic Health Systems a date for the Covid-19 Vaccine and Booster clinic Wednesday, February 16, 2022. Moderna, Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines will be available for ages 12 and older. Appointments are required although no one will be turned away.
- The County Health Educator created flyers for the Covid-19 vaccine clinic, which were distributed via email and posted on Township website and social media outlets.
- Public Health Nurse site visits were stopped for the month of January because of the increase in cases of Covid-19.
- No animal bite reports.
- Ms. Freer along with trainee, Michael DiArchangel have sent letters to Mendham Township residents with advanced wastewater treatment systems, requesting that they mail in copies of their updated maintenance agreement reports. The maintenance agreement reports are required to be on file at the Township Board of Health office.

**ROLL CALL - YES** 

Dr. Goswami

Mr. Smith

Mr. Weber

Mr. Atkins

Ms. Caporrino

#### **Additional Note:**

On Wednesday, February 16, 2022 the Covid-19 vaccine and booster clinic was held at the Mendham Township Middle School – 25 participants attended.

#### SUCH MATTERS THAT MAY RIGHTFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

## **ADJOURNMENT**

8:12 PM