

BOARD OF HEALTH - TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM
MEETING MINUTES
November 25, 2019 – 7:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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 January 29, 2019. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the township offices and notice was filed with the Township Clerk.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Smith
Mr. Weber
Dr. Goswami
Mr. West

APPROVAL OF JULY 29, 2019 MINUTES:

Approved with minor modification – to notes on, *the plan that states that soils were at 20” (first page, fourth point).*

Mr. West motioned to accept as presented, Mr. Smith seconded to motion

ROLL CALL VOTING YES: Dr. Goswami, Mr. Smith, Mr. Weber, Mr. West

NEW BUSINESS:

**A. BLOCK 131.01 LOTS 1.02 & 1.03 4 – APPLICANT: Kastrud Engineering
APPLICATION: New Construction – Subdivision – Pitney Farm Estates**

- Applicant not in attendance; Engineer not in attendance.
- Mr. Mills states that this is not an approval application – this is a concept review – to pass a resolution that the site is suitable to support a five-lot subdivision.
- Mr. Mills recalls a prior Board of Health meeting, where an applicant failed to attend, that the Board declined to proceed.
- Mr. West states that if the Board has no questions of the applicant, the meeting can proceed.
- Meeting proceeds.
- Mr. Mills notes that the applicant will need to come to the Board with individual septic system designs and house plans for each proposed lot in the future.

- Mr. Weber questions whether there is a formal recognition for the applicant on the Boards part. Mr. Mills responds, Yes – a resolution for action will be brought to the next BOH meeting, to then send to the Planning Board.
- Mr. Weber asks, what are we voting to do? Mr. West explains that the applicant is proposing a major subdivision with soil and septic suitability. Mr. Weber asks, if the applicant comes back later, are we bound by what we have said at this BOH Meeting? Mr. Mills explains that there are no specific designs presented here; none of the items that are usually considered when making a ruling on a final approval are being presented at this time.
- Mr. West mentions that one of Mr. Korshalla's complaints is with lot 1.04. Ms. Freer notes that lot 1.04 has two soil log, number 2's. Ms. Freer also notes that on lot 1.07 there is one soil log in the secondary septic field – there's no number – just 'soil log.' Another issue: When doing a sub-division there needs to be one soil log for the primary field and one soil log for the reserve field.
- Soil logs 14 and 15 are not within 15 feet of the field and when doing soil logs, one needs to be within 15 feet of the proposed field. The developer has one soil log, but he cannot use one for both, there needs to be one for each.
- Mr. Mills asks, Over the entirety of the sight, were the results of the soil logs fairly consistent?
- Ms. Freer responds, Yes, the soil was better than previously seen in that area – just a bit higher than the Ballantine area. There was no mottling.
- Mr. West asks, how specific do we have to be? If they have shown enough soil logs on the plans, for example 1.07 – One soil log is shown in the septic reserve and they don't have anything shown in the primary. One soil log should be in the primary. There's no reason they couldn't put the primary where the reserve is. When they (the developer) comes back they need to show it correctly, but in the meantime it would work.
- Dr. Goswami asks, is Chris indicating that we decline this application based on this information? Mr. Freer states that Mr. Korshalla is suggesting that they fix the information on the soil logs. Ms. Freer has witnessed a total of 18 soil logs - all of those are not labeled and/or numbered correctly. These are minor mistakes that need to be fixed. While not labeled on the plans, he (Anatol) did submit a paper with the soil logs labeled. All of the soil log information is correct in the packets, for logs 1-18.
- While soil logs reviewed by Ms. Freer and Mr. Korshalla appear to be adequate for the proposed site, Mr. Korshalla would like the naming and labeling for soil logs to be fixed. Noting items that are not marked or marked incorrectly. Soil log information is in the packet and noted correctly for soil logs 1-18.
- Dr. Goswami suggests the possibility of having the applicant present at a later date, even if the Board agrees to move forward with the concept design plans. Mr. West and Mr. Smith open the discussion as to whether or not the applicant really needs to attend before voting on the concept plans. Ultimately, the applicant will have to come back with concrete septic and architectural plans for each structure.

- Mr. Mills suggests the preparation of a resolution that would represent full action when acted on at the next meeting.
- Ms. Freer will write a letter with attached memos from the engineer that will let the applicant know to update plans, notes need to be added. The letter will note that it is suggested and helpful to have the applicant or a representative for the Pitney project in attendance at the next meeting.
- Mr. West makes a motion that Mr. Mills prepare a resolution for the January, 2020 BOH meeting to represent substantive action of the Board when voted upon. Second to motion was made and accepted.

ROLL CALL VOTING YES: Dr. Goswami, Mr. Smith, Mr. Weber, Mr. West

HEALTH OFFICER'S MONTHLY REPORT

July, August, September, October 2019

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

After the Health Officers report, the Board had a general discussion with Ms. Freer of the procedures followed and the flow of information immediately after the discovery of the Hepatitis A outbreak at the Mendham Golf and Tennis restaurant. Board of Health Officer followed all prescribed State procedures and those dictated by Morris County. However, in the future, it was considered advisable to notify the Township Committee when an event of this nature occurs.

Mr. West motioned to approve. Mr. Smith seconded.

ROLL CALL: YES: Dr. Goswami, Mr. Smith, Mr. Weber, Mr. West

SUCH MATTERS THAT MAY RIGHTFULLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

ADJOURNMENT: 8:52 PM