

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2007

PRESENT: Tim Barnett, Erik Lowe, Agent John Powers, and Asst. Hadden Blair. Guest James Ferry
Also attended part of the meeting to discuss his DWA. David Merry was absent.

WELLS APPROVED: James Ferry 16-80 & 71.1, Dan Cabot 32-17, Kern Grimes 29-48.

DWAs APPROVED: Foster Greene 26-12.8, Sally Anderson 31-104 for a 3 bedroom guest house.

7:15 PM James Ferry, 16-80 & 71.1 met with the BOH to discuss his DWA. The plan has changed from the original proposal. To accommodate the Zoning Board, the building has been downsized changing the previously proposed indoor tennis court to an indoor racquet ball court. There would be an outdoor tennis court as well. The racquet ball court would be in the basement, open to the second floor. The second floor would have bathrooms and office space with a glass wall overlooking the court. Mr. Ferry showed where bathrooms are proposed (they were not shown on plan): a mens' room with 2 stalls (or stall and urinal), a womens' room with two stalls, and 2 half baths (one for each proposed office space). One of the one room offices would be Mr. Ferry's, and the other would be available for rent. There are no showers proposed. The Agent questioned the figure of 1600 square feet of office space indicated by engineer Kent Healy. Mr. Ferry totaled the office square footage and agreed that the 1600 sq ft was incorrect. Mr. Ferry thought Kent may have included the waiting area where the mens' and womens' bathrooms are proposed. This waiting area would also be used for limited retail sales of racquet ball equipment and services like stringing racquets which Mr. Ferry referred to as a "pro shop". The Agent said this would probably be considered retail use. He further asked about the proposed business use (dog grooming) in the existing house. Mr. Ferry mentioned that the house is on a second lot that shares a septic system with the other lot where the courts are located. The BOH had not been aware that these were 2 separate deeded lots. Mr. Ferry confirmed that they are separate lots. In discussing the uses in the house, it became apparent that Mr. Ferry and Mr. Healy were proposing different things. Mr. Healy indicated a 4 bedroom house on the plan, and Mr. Ferry thought it would be 3. Further, even though the second floor use will be for dog grooming which will require a tight tank, the rooms remain bedrooms by definition and therefore require capacity in the septic plan. Mr. Ferry had not previously understood that. Consequently, the plan drawn by Mr. Healy does not match Mr. Ferry's desired uses. The Board will hold the plan so that Mr. Ferry can consult with Mr. Healy again, and revise if necessary. The Agent offered that since there are no State standards for these mixed uses, Mr. Ferry would need to meter flows. Mr. Ferry asked if quick action could be taken for the dog grooming tenant since tight tanks are required and since he would like to rent to the tenant sooner not later. The Agent asked if the tenant was aware of the costs of pumping the tight tanks and of the reporting requirements that will be necessary. Mr. Ferry said yes. The Agent said that the bedroom count in the house still needs to be determined, so Mr. Ferry needs to wait.

TITLE 5 INSPECTION REPORTS FILED: Corrine Kenney 12-7

POOL PERMITS APPROVED: Dennis Driscoll 29-47, John Hirschtick 30-2.61, David Nachbar 31-114.

LANDFILL/REFUSE DISTRICT: The Agent informed the Board that the District Auditor wants to Change the way the town is billed. Currently, monthly charges are offset by a credit for LDO receipts, and an adjusted bill issued. Now, they propose to bill the full amount, and cut a check to us for the LDO receipts. The Agent explained that the problem with this is that the LDO receipt check will be deposited into the general fund, and the BOH has budgeted for the adjusted amount, not the total that will now be billed. Bruce Stone, Town Accountant is working with their auditor to work out a plan. The Agent moved on to discuss the LDO tire policy. Currently there are 90 tires, only 23 of which were paid for, and that the district pick-up of a partially full roll off is expensive. The Board agreed to make a policy change that the WT LDO will no longer accept tires which should now go to the Edgartown Transfer Station. Further, this policy change should be advertised. The Agent then reported that Wright-Pierce is apologizing for not yet getting the LDO repair/improvement estimates to him. Their small office has had some serious illnesses. They expect to get the estimates to the Agent next week. Bruce Stone the Town Accountant also noticed a discrepancy in the dollar figure of billings to the Town reported by the Refuse District's report for 7/1/05 to 6/30/06. He has provided them with copies of everything the Town has paid for them to check.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: The Agent reported to the Board that Flu Advisory # 11 changes funding for adult flu vaccine. Previously DPH paid for the purchase of adult vaccine for use by private providers. They will no longer fund private provider vaccine for adults.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: The Agent received another report on the alternative septic system at 11-81. There has not yet been enough use to determine the effectiveness of the system. The Library's water test came back clean after the Agent chlorinated and purged the system at Christmas. The Annex mold problem update told the Board that the wet crawlspace insulation has been Removed, better gutters installed, and a hepa air cleaner bought for the office. Hopefully this Will correct the problem. BOH Town Report is due 1/22/07. Finally, the Agent reported that Health Services will no longer supply the Fall flu clinic at their expense. Instead, they will be Requesting \$5,000 from each Town. The Agent commented that this would total more than has ever been spent by far, and that it comes on top of significant rate increases that Health Services has been granted in recent years.

PERMITS: The Board signed numerous 2007 permits (renewals)

CORRESPONDENCE:

IN: Estate of Leonard Athearn 31-68, Barnstable Lab (Charter School), ZBA, Vector Bytes, Lombardi Testing services, MDPH (1), Building Inspector, MWWA, Wampanoag Lab, MWWA, Wood Boilers Article

OUT: Capital Improvements

Respectfully Submitted,

Hadden Blair

