

September 22, 2020

Meeting opened: 7:30pm, via Zoom conference call.

Members Present: William Morris, Chairman; Carol Johnson, Clerk; Richard Beauregard; Mona Bissany; Rachel Jackson.

Members absent: Richard Bringhurst and Stephan Schaub

Weekly COVID19 Town update from Town Administrator, Jim Johnson and Health Director, Melissa Ranieri

Approval of Minutes from the August 25, 2020 Board of Health meeting:

**MOTION:** Made by Mona Bissany that the Board approves the minutes as amended. Seconded by Richard Beauregard. **VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS**

Animal Permit- 5 Alma Road

**Documents/Exhibits- Animal Permit Application**

The Board of Health reviewed the animal permit application to house 6 chickens at 5 Alma Road. Animal Inspector, John Spillane, has no objections with this request.

**MOTION:** Made by Carol Johnson that the Board of Health grants the request for an animal permit at 5 Alma Road. Seconded by Mona Bissany. **VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS**

Planning Board-New World Estates-7 Lot Preliminary Residential Subdivision

**Documents/Exhibits- Deputy Health Agent's summary.**

The Planning Board is requesting comments for a preliminary subdivision revised plan. The property consists of three lots including 38 Peach Street. The proposed project consists of subdividing the three lots into five new lots. The revised plan includes installing a new road to access these lots rather than modifying Morrissey Way.

Per the proposed plan, town water and sewer would be run up the new road, which would allow for sewer and water hookup.

A portion of proposed Lot 4, which lies along the northeast part of the plan, is within the 100' wetland buffer zone.

**MOTION:** Made by William Morris that the Board approves the request for the preliminary subdivision. The Board is not in favor of new construction within the wetlands and has a long-standing stance on protecting the wetlands and water sources as well as protecting residents from human vector borne illnesses. If this project is approved, the Board urges the applicant as well as the future homeowner(s) to adopt the standard best practices for mosquito mitigation and to work with Norfolk County Mosquito Control for spraying and standing water treatments. Institute regular cleaning of gutters and provide proper grading of buffer zone areas in order to prevent low points that draw and hold water. If the development is on a private way, the residents should be made aware that trash will be picked up on Peach St. In the event that the development is on a public way, the street must be made wide enough for the trash truck to maneuver. Seconded by Mona Bissany. **VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS**

Zoning Board of Appeals requests for comment-Special Permit- 979 Main Street

**Documents/Exhibits- Deputy Health Agent's summary.**

The Board of Appeals is requesting comments on a special permit to allow for the enlargement of the building at 979 Main Street to accommodate their proposed project, which includes adding apartment units.

The property is located on town water and sewer.

**MOTION:** Made by Richard Beauregard regarding the request for comment for 979 Main Street, that the Board of Health recommends adding bike racks and having appropriate lighting outside the building and in the parking lot. Additionally, the Board would like to reiterate the importance of adequate parking to assure public safety is met. They would also like to state a reminder about private trash/recycling pickup for this property. Seconded by Carol Johnson. **Vote 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS**

Zoning Board of Appeals requests for comment-Special Permit-524 Elm Street

**Documents/Exhibits-Deputy Health Agent's summary.**

The Board of Appeals is requesting comments on a special permit to allow the construction of a 20'x 32' attached garage to the side of the home.

The property is located on town water and does have an onsite septic system.

**MOTION:** Made by William Morris that the Board would like to make the applicant aware that the current onsite septic system for this address is designed to accommodate a 3 bedroom home. Therefore, the existing home with the new proposed garage cannot exceed 3 bedrooms and more than 7 total rooms per title 5, unless the onsite septic systems is upgraded. The BOH would like to remind the applicant to flag the septic system prior to any construction. Seconded by Mona Bissany. Vote 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Made by William Morris. Seconded by Carol Johnson. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Meeting closed at 8:11pm