

Town of Rochester

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BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

April 12, 2023

4:00 PM

Present:

Karen Walega, Health Director

Sarah T. Eby

Richard Charon, Charon Associates

William David Souza, Chairman Susan Kucinski, Board Administrator Robert Rego, River Hawk Environmental

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 4:00 P.M.

Review Minutes - of March 8, 2023

Sarah T. Eby made motion to approve minutes for March 8, 2023 meeting. Dave seconded the motion

Review Variance Requests

1. Variance Request -

Riverhawk Environmental, LLC 6 Robinson Road 2 Bedroom – 220 gallons per day

Mr. Robert Rego presented a variance request and plans for a local upgrade from Section 15.203, which requires septic systems to be designed with a minimum flow capacity of 400 gallons per day (gpd), and be designed for a three-bedroom home. A waiver allowing the proposed septic system to be designed for a two-bedroom, 220 gpd system is requested. A deed restriction limiting the dwelling to two bedrooms will be filed at the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.

The Board reviewed Mr. Rego's request and indicated the deed restriction limiting the home to 2 bedrooms *must* be filed at the Plymouth County Registry of deeds.

Dave made motion to pass with the deed restriction. Sarah seconded the motion.

2. Variance Request

Rick Charon
349 Cushman Road
Section 15.212, allow a depth to groundwater less than 5 feet

Mr. Charon presented a variance request for 349 Cushman Road. He provided a plan to repair the septic disposal system with a new 2-compartment 1500-gal septic tank and a new leaching facility; with existing tank to be pumped out & backfilled, and the existing leaching field to be abandoned or removed where encountered. The proposed design utilized Eljen GSF modules designed in accordance with DEP's approvals for remedial use and provides the required 400 gpd minimum daily design flow. The variance required is from Mass. Title 5 regulations: Section 15.212 to allow a depth of groundwater less than 5 feet (proposed = 3 ft.)

The Board reviewed the request. Dave made a motion to pass the variance. Sarah seconded the motion. Karen is ok with it

3. Variance Request

Rick Charon

228 Mary's Pond Road

Section 15.211 to allow leaching field less than 100 feet from wetlands without the use of de-nitrification equipment

Mr. Charon requested a variance for 228 Mary's Pond Road. He provided a plan for the proposed repair to the sewage disposal system to include a new leaching facility, with the existing tank to remain and the existing leaching field to be abandoned. The variance is required from Board of Health regulations: BOH Section 15.211 to allow a portion of the leaching field less than 100 feet (proposed = 80ft) from wetlands without the use of de-nitrification equipment.

The Board reviewed Mr. Charon's variance request. Dave made a motion to pass, and Sarah seconded the motion.

4. Review Correspondence

a. Memo to Glenn Cannon about Health District Assessment

- b. Rick Charon variance approval letter for 12 Edwards Lane The variance was approved. Rick rejected stone that was on site and replaced with new stone.
- c. Mr. Harry Riggle follow -up regarding 107 Cranberry Highway Karen reported that matter has been taken of. The party is no longer at the location and has moved into housing.
- d. Mrs. Christine Hebert 375 County Road Karen advised the matter is still being reviewed.
- e. John Maffei Trailside Estates update Karen advised the matter is still being reviewed, still waiting on the water test. It will not be as-built; there is still no punch list for items to be completed.
- f. ZBA #1189 Grant 24 Mayflower Lane. There were no issues as the septic system was designed for 4 bedrooms, and the existing house has 3 bedrooms.
- g. Health District Minutes
 Review of Health District minutes. Dave made motion to pass, and Sarah seconded
 the motion. The Health District Minutes were approved, and Sarah signed.
- h. Brown and Caldwell Report SEMASS quarterly.
- i. Access to Town Counsel Policy
- 5. Public Health Nurse Update
- 6. Health Director Update

ANY OTHER MATTERS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD

A request was received for the appointment of David True for the Soil Board, as a Board of Health Representative. Dave made motion to approve, and Sarah seconded. Mr. True was appointed and letter was signed by Sarah and Dave.

ADJOURNMENT:

Sarah made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:38 PM. Dave seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the meeting was adjourned.

DATE: 5-22-23

Chairman, William David Souza