

Town of Charlemont
Board of Health
October 23, 2013

Present: Rob Lingle, Trice Hyer, Ruth Cannavo, Douglas Telling
Guest: Kristin Brockett

Meeting called to order at 7:34 PM

Ms. Brockett plans on building a yurt and sought advice from the Board on its possible impact on her septic system. She presented a diagram of the current system. The Board concluded that it would not impact the septic system as currently proposed. Her intention is to use it for storage of herbs and gatherings, approximately once a month, of her homeschool groups (approximately 10 people). The siting left room for a reserve leach field and did not impact the current field, piping, or well. The plans will be faxed to Health Agent Glen Ayers. Barring any issues he raises, the Board has no problem signing off on the building permit.

Reviewed and approved Minutes from the meeting of October 9, 2013.

Reviewed pending issues regarding permit requests.

An email from Ken Hall regarding a new pizza business on Main Street at the location previously occupied by BK Pizza raised the issue of the status of the well. He was concerned that the new proprietors were doing a lot of work and wanted to make sure they knew of the problematic nature of public water supply wells in the village. Rob Lingle reported he suggested that they contact the Board as early as possible regarding a food permit and related health issues, such as the well. He was not sure if they had taken any action in regard to the well.

Reviewed correspondence. Several routine documents listed in the Documents Reviewed.

Rob Lingle reported on a housing complaint at 1555 Route 2 that he and Glen Ayers addressed. The complaint involved electrical problems and mold. An inspection revealed that there were electrical issues and the presence of lead paint. The family has a young child living there. Glen Ayers is preparing an Order to Correct. The family was advised to find another place to live given the conditions at 1555.

Ruth Cannavo and Rob Lingle reported on a Planning Board meeting about a proposal to develop a by-law for dirt removal businesses. The following are the issues the Board identified as BOH issues:

- Water table
- Possible impact on abutter's wells and septic systems
- Dust and noise during its operation

All agreed that any rules and regulations needed to be flexible enough to deal with site-specific conditions. Members will research these issues.

Doug Telling reported that the state geologist has Surficial Geologic maps that include Charlemont's surficial and bedrock characteristics. Ruth Cannavo moved that the Board obtain paper and, if possible, CD copies of the maps. Seconded by Trice Hyer. Passed by a unanimous vote.

The Board agreed to cancel the November 27, 2013 meeting (the day before Thanksgiving).

Doug Telling moved and Ruth Cannavo seconded a motion to adjourn. Unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM

Documents Reviewed 10/23/2013

Septic Plans for Kristin Brocket 47 Mountain View Drive

Minutes October 9, 2013

Six pumping reports

One Title V Report

Notification of a perc test on Legate Hill Road

Email from Ken Hall

Invoices for payments:

- Two Title V witnessing
- One perc test
- One permit fee for septic repair

“Helpful Tools for Review of Septic Plans” by DEP

Cancer incidence for Charlemont 2005-2009