

TOWN OF LANCASTER
BOARD OF HEALTH
Lancaster Community Center
August 23, 2017

Present: Stephen Piazza, Chair, Richard Belanger, Clerk and John Farnsworth

Also Present: William Brookings, Agent, Nashoba Board of Health

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 9:07 AM.

Permits

Continued Discussion, 201 White Pond Road, Septic System Permit

Present: Abutter Alida Barry, 207 White Pond Road

This discussion was continued from the August 16, 2017 Lancaster Board of Health meeting.

Ms. Alida Barry of 207 White Pond Road requested that the Board hold off on its decision to grant a septic permit to the owners of 201 White Pond Road until the September 6, 2017 BOH meeting. She explained that she needed more time to have her engineer review the septic plans, and her attorney to review the alleged right-of-way/easement on her property.

Mr. Steve Piazza, BOH Chair, stated that any legal right-of-way or easement is a civil matter between both parties. The septic plan can be voted on regardless of the status of the right-of-way or easement. The Board also noted that the plan as designed is the best solution to rectify the failed system at 201 White Pond Road and eliminate the current method of gray water disposal.

The Board then recommended that Ms. Barry document and send to the Board prior to the September 6th meeting a set of conditions that would help mitigate any impact to her property during installation of the system, e.g. ensuring the grade is not changed and using straw bales between the properties. The Board will consider including these conditions as part of the approval process.

The Board agreed to revisit all of these issues at the September 6, 2017 BOH meeting.

There was no further discussion on the matter.

Discussions

20 Lawson Avenue, Septic System Relocation

Present: Paul Benoit, Owner

Mr. William Brookings, Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, reported that the homeowner wants to move the existing Fast and pump chambers to accommodate expansion of the house. The Board saw no

issues with the request and asked the owner to have new plans drawn up that show the new location of the chambers, the footprint of the house expansion, and the topographic grades.

The Board agreed to revisit at the September 6, 2017 BOH meeting.

General Business

None.

New Business

None.

Report from Nashoba Associated Boards of Health Liaison, William Brookings

Mr. Brookings reported that he received an advisory from Michael Beattie, DPH Environmental Beach Inspector, that the Coachlace Pond in Clinton has elevated levels of cyanobacteria.

The Chair will contact Mr. Beattie regarding this matter.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen Piazza, Planning Director