

Westhampton Board of Health Minutes Thursday, December 29, 2022

Attending: Robby Armenti (RA), Katch Bacheller (KA), Mark Bushee, Health Director (MB), Bri Dupras (BD), Niki Vaughn, Health Agent (NV) Guests: Wally Marek (WM), Melissa Start (MS), Scott Start (SS)

Call to Order: 6:02 PM

- I. Order of Business – Dog Kennel on 180 Reservoir Road
 - A. MB – talked with Dept. of Agriculture – no direction
 - B. MB also spoke with Alan Weiss
 1. Asked about plans
 2. MB received no direction
 - C. MB spoke with Charles Kaniecki – used to work for DPH
 1. Left msg. and called back
 2. Told MB to speak with Dept. of Agriculture (circular.)
 - D. MB reached out to: Building Inspector in North Adams and Northampton, the Western Mass division of Waste Water DEP – from all sources he heard was that the Board of Health will have to deal with it.
 - E. From MB's perspective there are two options
 1. Follow the regulations as written.
 2. Try to apply for a variance.
 - F. BD spoke with DEP
 1. Discussion about floor drains
 2. If there are no extra employees other than the Starts, there is no need for extra septic.
 - G. Discussion of capacity and definition.
 - H. Discussion of cleaning options.
 - I. Discussion of variance procedure.
 1. MB passed out literature on the procedure to all attendants.
 2. MB and BD answered questions about variance procedure.
 - J. MB will help the Starts with variance procedure.
- II. Discussion of Next Meeting Date – it will be Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6 PM

Meeting adjourned at 6:39 pm. Respectfully submitted, Robby Armenti