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**Meeting Minutes
Gloucester Board of Health
Septic Subcommittee
September 15, 2015
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IN ATTENDANCE

Frederick Cowan, Subcommittee Chair; Joseph Rosa, Board of Health member; Robert Harris, Board of Health member; Max Schenk, Health Department staff

OPENING OF MEETING – 10:30 AM

**77 EASTERN POINT BV (Map 136/ Lot 9)
Owner: MARTINONIS VIRGILIUS & REGINA TR
Representative - Mill River Consulting
Present - Arunas and Stephanie Martinonis**

Discussion

Mr. Ottenheimer: Presented a proposal to use a Busse Green Technology treatment system in conjunction with a Drip Dispersal system leach field to replace the existing two, 1,500-gallon holding tanks system that is on site. He provided a history of the property, as well as an overview of the proposed technology and sought guidance from the Board on how such a proposal might be accepted.

Mr. Harris: Since it is based in-doors, is the technology approved by the State Plumbing Board?

Mr. Ottenheimer: Yes, as well as the Department of Environmental Protection. The system meets the State's standards for treatment and has been used in Essex already. Given the restrictions of the site due to lack of depth of soils and shallow depth to ledge, the proposed provides an onsite wastewater treatment alternative to the holding tanks in place now. The tanks would be utilized as components of the new system.

Mr. Cowan: Reading the approval letter from the State, the system provides a very high-degree of treatment. What would happen in the event that something becomes stuck inside one of the system components?

Mr. Rosa: There must be alarms?

Mr. Ottenheimer: Yes and any extraordinary issues would be handled by the technicians from the company.

Mr. Harris: The system requires electricity, correct?

Mr. Ottenheimer and Mr. Martinonis: Yes, and a generator is available at the home should electricity be lost at any point.

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Mr. Schenk: Can you speak to the operations and maintenance that the system would require?

Mr. Ottenheimer: The company has their own technicians perform the O&M, which would be done quarterly per Gloucester Board of Health regulations.

Mr. Rosa: And where would the effluent samples be taken from?

Mr. Ottenheimer: From the tanks after the waste has been treated and before it enters the leach field.

Mr. Cowan: What are the next steps?

Mr. Ottenheimer: He will be speaking with the Conservation Agent to see what concerns there may be and then begin the process of developing full plans for the project for permit review.

Mr. Harris: Recommends discussing the project with the City of Gloucester Plumbing Inspector for any input or concerns that he may have.

Mr. Cowan: We look forward to seeing your full proposal.

(End of discussion. The conversation was advisory, only, and not one requiring a vote of the Subcommittee).

11 WOODMAN ST (Map 237 / Lot 9)

Owner: GOETEMANN, DAVID

Representative: Gateway Consultants, Inc.

Review of proposal for a two-bedroom holding tank system

John Judd, from Gateway Consultants, was not present for the meeting.

Discussion

Mr. Schenk: Presented the site conditions that led to the proposal for a holding tank, including shallow depth to ledge and surrounding ledge outcroppings. The proposal is an acceptable alternative for the site based on Title 5 criteria.

Mr. Cowan: Seeing that there was no one present from the public, opened and closed the public comment period and asking if there were any further questions, called for a vote.

MOTION: **Mr. Rosa**, voting to approve the Local Upgrade Request, for the proposed holding tank system for 11 Woodman Street, as annotated on the plan dated August 8, 2015 by Gateway Consultants Inc.

SECOND: **Mr. Harris**


All in favor – motion carries



MOTION: Mr. Rosa, to Adjourn
SECOND: Mr. Harris
All in favor – motion carries

CLOSE OF MEETING – 11:15 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

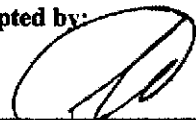


Max Schenk

11/5/2015

Date

Accepted by:



Frederick Cowan
Subcommittee Chair

5, November 2015

Date