



TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF HEALTH

- **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Michael Lanoue called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

January 5, 2017 meeting minutes.

Motion: Peter Stanton approved the Minutes of January 5, 2017

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- **SPECIAL PERMIT RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- A. **Special Permit #870-17**, Green House Partners LLC application for a special permit to extend the B3 Zone regulations 50 feet into the abutting R1B Zone at 27 Humphrey Street, Great Barrington, in accordance with Sections 2.5 and 10.4 of the Great Barrington Zoning bylaw. (Vote/Discussion)

Nick Arienti presented on behalf of Green House Partners, LLC. Ruby Chang asked for clarification on the type of residential housing proposed for this development. Nick informed the Board that this is intended to be a single family residential neighborhood with a total of six cabins.

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to pass a positive recommendation on to the Selectboard.

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- B. **Special Permit #869-17**, application to the Zoning Board of Appeals from Donald R. Torrico, Applicant on behalf of owners of Big Dream Partners, LLC, 1 Monarch Place Suite 1900, Springfield, MA 01144, for a multi-family use in the existing building and exterior alterations in the Village Center Overlay District at 400 Main Street, Great Barrington, in accordance with Sections 3.1.4E(1), 7.2 and 10.4 of the Great Barrington Zoning Bylaw.

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to pass a positive recommendation to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- C. **Special Permit #869-17**, application to the Zoning Board of Appeals from Donald R. Torrico, applicant on behalf of owners of Big Dream Partners, LLC, 1 Monarch Place

Suite 1900, Springfield, MA 01144, to alter a preexisting nonconforming structure at 400 Main Street, Great Barrington in accordance with Sections 5.3 and 10.4 of the Zoning Bylaw.

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to pass a positive recommendation on to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- D. **Special Permit #867-16**, Recommendation to the Zoning Board of Appeals from Berkshire Aviation Enterprises Inc. to alter a preexisting nonconforming Structure at 70 Egremont Plain Road, to add a deck and handicapped access on the rear of the office building, in accordance with Sections 5.3 and 10.4 of the Zoning Bylaw.

Ken Crenza, airport manager presented on behalf of Berkshire Aviation Enterprise. Ken explained to the Board that they would like add a deck so that the patrons of the airport can have a place to sit outside on nice weather days. Locke Larkin weighed in, explaining that the Board of Health's primary concern is where the well and sewer are located and this proposed deck is not going to hinder access to either.

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to pass a positive recommendation along to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- E. **Special Permit #866-16**, Recommendation to the Selectboard from Berkshire Aviation Enterprises Inc. for an aviation field in an R4 Zone at 70 Egremont Plain Road, in accordance with Sections 3.1.4 E(1), 7.2 and 10.4 of the Great Barrington Zoning Bylaw.

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to pass a positive recommendation along to the Selectboard.

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Massachusetts Health Officers Association Membership Renewal.

Rebecca Jurczyk, Health Department assistant explained that there is allocated money in the budget to cover the expense of the annual membership fee.

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to renew the Massachusetts Health Officer Association Membership

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- **CITIZEN SPEAK TIME**

None.

- **BOARD OF HEALTH SPEAK TIME**

Ruby Chang was able to speak with a representative at Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, Laura Kidross who explained that the quarterly update provides the Town with a surveillance report. Ruby summarized that it is meant to track prevalence and display any patterns in diseases. Ruby pointed out that the data displayed in this manner does not show any long term patterns. The Board would like to request that the public health nurse compile the disease data twelve months prior along with the new data. They were in agreement that this would help them track any disease patterns in Great Barrington more effectively.

Chairman Lanoue updated the rest of the Board on the hiring process of a new Health Agent. The first round of interviews has taken place. The Chairman and the Town Manager have narrowed it down to three candidates who will come before the Board of Health in mid-February for the second set of interviews.

Locke Larkin updated the Board on the inspections he completed over the last month. Mr. Larkin raised the issue of allowing service dogs in restaurants. The Board would like Locke to find out if there is town code dictating how and when the Board of Health should intervene. Mr. Larkin asked the Board to hire a private inspector to take care of the Title 5 inspections. The Massachusetts Department of Energy needs to have a positive vote from the BOH before they can come out to inspect a specific case.

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to pursue the advice of Mass DEP Title 5 inspections.

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to contact Scott McFarland to possibly inspect new systems.

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

- **MEDIA TIME**

Berkshire Eagle, "The second interviews will occur in an open meeting, correct?" The Chair said yes, and confirmed that the process is still being negotiated with the Board of Health, Selectboard, and Town Manager.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Peter Stanton motioned to adjourn the meeting

Second: Ruby Chang

Vote: 3-0

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca M Jurczyk.



