Harvard Board of Health

Minutes of Meeting June 26th, 2012

Hildreth House, 7:00 PM

Present: Lorin Johnson

Tom Philippou Sharon McCarthy

Also Present: Doug Mahoney, Nick Deane, David Koonce, Paige O'Brien, Kathryn

Zerenga, and Kathleen Neville

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Discussion: 278 Stow Rd., A new barn is causing confusion because it appears as though it will be connected to the current septic system and the Board felt it necessary to clarify the intent with the owner. As stated in an e-mail received earlier that day, there were to be no animals domiciled in the barn. The Board will instruct the owner to apply for the proper permits should this situation change.

Discussion: 63 Slough Rd. A deed restriction was requested by Doug because of some renovation that was going to re-configure the residence. After reviewing the before and after plans and discussing the magnitude of the changes the Board agreed a deed restriction would be acceptable. Tom made the motion which was seconded by Lorin. The vote was 3:0 to approve. Doug will present the board with the formal document for signature.

Discussion: Appleworks food service. At the request of the Board, Nick offered to provide an update to the situation at Appleworks regarding the proposed menu. The previous prospective tenant appears to have withdrawn his interest in establishing a seafood eatery and therefore the concern with fried foods impacting the septic system appears to have been resolved. Nick requested a return to "Lisa's menu" and requested the board provide guidance. There was no vote taken, but the Board resolved to provide approval as long as the original menu was adhered to. There was also a caution issued by the Chair that the goal of the Board is to protect the septic systems that service the property with the installation of a grease trap.

Interviews: Interviews were conducted with David, who was unable to be present during the initial round of interviews and briefly with the other three candidates. The repeat interviews were for the benefit of a Board member who was unable to attend the initial round of interviews. Questions were posed to each of the applicants, after a brief and informal introduction. Later, the concerns and merits of each candidate were discussed at length. No decision was made at this time and the Chair suggested that reference checks be performed to gather more information, hoping this would aid in the selection of the best candidate. All members voiced their observations that any of the applicants would be capable of fulfilling the position and the high quality of the applicants themselves.

Permits: 25 Hynes Ln., This permit required local over-ride approval due to the inclusion of a Presby system in the plans. Tom made a motion to approve the over-ride, Lorin seconded and the vote was 3:0 to approve.

A motion to adjourn was made by Lorin at 8:45 PM, and seconded by Sharon. The motion was unanimous.