

Sutton Board of Health

Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2008

Members Present: S. Rice, W. Fredericks, J. Silverberg, D. Miller

Members Absent: K. Malo

7:05PM D. Miller opens the meeting

1. Wendy Wagner of Sublime Soirees is here to discuss a permit for her business. S. Rice informs Wendy that she will have to take a food safe certification course. He has talked to the State food protection unit, If Wendy purchases the food she then changes her status from caterer to food processor and she will have to have the customers purchase their own food. The Board requests that Ms. Wagner come before the Board when she has her Certification, and also a plan for the purchasing of the food. C. Rawinski states that Building Department will not issue a license for a home based business.
2. Meme's Tasty Treats: Had to cancel meeting because of family emergency. C. Fant will put her on next agenda.
3. 48 Griggs Road, Mr. Fox is before the Board looking for a local upgrade. He informs the Board that he has filed with Conservation and Zoning. S Rice explains to Mr. Fox that he has the field card from the house in front of him and the house has 4 rooms and a total of 1,020 Sq Ft. Mr. Fox explains that the house was left to him and has 8 rooms 4 bedrooms, 2 kitchens, and 2 living rooms, if you include the basement, which he would like the board to do. He also explains that he will be razing the house and building a new home that faces the water. . Mr. Fox explains that he was advised not to do a deed restriction, but he is willing to do this. S Rice explains that a deed restriction from a BOH point of view isn't helpful. He explains that he is losing time and money on this project. He is building this house for his family needs now and in the future. Mr. Fox doesn't feel that the board should consider the basement of the new house as future living space. S Rice explains that Mr. Fox wants the Board to consider the basement on the existing house and with the plans as submitted with a full bathroom and fireplace in the basement should not. S Rice explains that the plans before the Board have 8 rooms and an unfinished basement that is setup such that it could easily be altered to become more livable inhabitable bedrooms, in excess of what is before us. Mr. Fox explains that he would probably just make a TV Room in the basement. J Silverberg points out the space that is over the garage adjacent to the upstairs bedroom, it has the potential to be 2 more bedrooms. The

size and scale of the house is too much for a 2 bedroom septic. W Fredericks explains to Mr. Fox that the mission of the BOH is to maintain the public safety of the neighborhood, our job is not just to take care of you , not you personally but anyone who comes before the Board, and as long as that structure is in existence the decision that we make has to carry through all the way until the structure is no more. So even though you may have all intentions of keeping the house the way it is, we can't base our decision just on what your intentions are, we have to look at the longevity of the whole thing. Mr. Fox explains that he didn't give it a thought as to all of the "unfinished" space and how many potential rooms he could have. W Fredericks explains that what if 4 years from now a family moves in there and makes the 2 other bedrooms upstairs, you now would have at least 5 or 6 bedrooms on a system designed for 2. Mr. Fox explains that all he has is a 2 bedroom that is all that can go on this lot; there isn't enough square footage there. Mr. Fox doesn't think that the Board should be able to tell him the size of his home and he wants to take advantage of what they want, and that if we were building new construction in town there would be no questions asked. J Silverberg explains that because there is an existing 2 bedroom on a non conforming lot, he is allowed to upgrade the existing house. The square footage of the proposed house is too large for a 2 bedroom home. Motion By S Rice to deny the plans as presented for a 2 bedroom home on 48 Griggs Road. Motion 2nd W Fredericks. All in favor.

4. Reorganization of Board, D Miller makes a Motion to nominate S Rice for Chairman, W Fredericks 2nds all in favor. S Rice makes a Motion for J Silverberg to be Vice Chairman, Motion 2nd by D Miller, all in favor.
5. C Rawinski updates Board on Mutual Aid, 20 towns have no signed the agreement, she will present to Town Administrator this week to sign. She informs the board there will be a Health Fair on May 21, from 2-4 in the Town Hall. As of July1 the state has mandated that all communities must take sharps. C Rawinski has set up National Waste to pick up the sharps. Steve Garabedian is now doing the food inspections in Town, he will stop by the next Meeting to talk to the Board. C Rawinski updates the Board about 14 Wheelock Road, Cheryl did a site visit with, Building, and Fire. Many violations, and illegal apartment over garage, and a finished basement in the main house.
6. Motion to adjourn 9:00 PM J Silverberg.