

Edgartown Board of Health  
Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2022

Christopher Edwards

Candace A. Nichols

The meeting was called to order at 4:38PM. W. Brine and Paul Adler were present as a follow up to the meeting of April 27, 2022 for Holly Bear Realty Trust, R. Dubin Trustee. Also in attendance was Celina Guimaraes the BOH's inspector.

**Agent Poole displayed Atty. D. Perry's** easement and title for the property held by Laughing Cow Trust which will provide septic benefits for lots held by Holly Bear Trust granted variances on April 27, 2022. Mention was made by both M. Poole and C. Nichols to some of the **easement language** with references to the terms east and west, a request for a map site and for the Town of Edgartown name added along the same line as the Board of Health ("Board"). Further discussion centered on the manner to which LCT now as owner of the land area with an easement restricted would be allowed in/on the portion of the lot. Current language states; no **structures or impervious surfaces** are allowed (i.e. tennis court, playground or hard cape) will be permitted. Mention was made to limiting animals on the lot area with the exception of household pets. Consideration was made to stating no grazing, housing and raising of livestock, horses or other animals are permitted. Member Nichols inquired to the file which lists the proceedings the two LLC's took to salsify the **Land Court with regards** to the 9.4 % ownership claim made by the Estates of Russell Junior and Violet Junior. At this time Mr. Adler stated he would try to relay the Board concerns to Atty. Perry and indicated there should be a discussion with regards to the **changes suggested** today and return to the Board. A meeting date of June 8<sup>th</sup> was proposed by the group and all agreed that time will be set later in the process. Mr. Adler & Mr. Brine thanked the group **and left the meeting at 5:20pm.**

**Deanne Ahearn Laird** was present as an applicant for the open one year position on the Board as advertised. Ms. Laird briefly introduced herself to the group listing her career as an **RN at both on** and off island hospitals. She also mentioned being a member of the Library Board of Trustees and experienced town government as part the building committee for the new Edgartown Library her expressed interest in giving back to her community with a strong interest in public health. She added as being very appreciative of all the work done by the island Boards of Health and their agents during the last two years. The Board discussed the **next generation of office staff** and how she would approach the task of filling the positions and the growing needs of the town on all aspect of public health, food safety and regulation changes. Ms. Laird added, she is familiar with the process and is confident that the three Board members with be able to find suitable candidates for the positions. At this time the Board thanked Ms. Laird for her time and she left the meeting at 5:40PM.

#### **Agents Report**

The Board reviewed and approved the Minutes of April 13, 2022 as written. Payroll and bills submitted were approved unamiously by the Board. Agent Poole briefed the Board to the manner in which the invoices submitted **for Island Health Care for the months** from July 1<sup>st</sup> to February 2022 are calculated. He added at the time of the three year contact there was an agreement with the agency to a "sharing" of services with the other Island BOH. At this time HA Poole suggested the Board move away for the formula as the town is paying for more services than those being utilized by Edgartown residents.

**Covid information** was provided to an increase in both OTC and PCR positive test results. Currently there are no Covid related hospital admissions and the Island is still listed at low risk by Mass DPH.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Anthony-Hathaway, Assistant

Approved on: June 8, 2022

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