WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH September 21, 2022 – Regular Meeting 7:00 PM

The West Amwell Township Board of Health met on the above date.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman Hart declared the meeting in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was included in the Resolution faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 27, 2022 and was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building on this date and has remained continuously posted as required under the Statute. A copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Present: Jim Cally, John Dale, Ken Hart and Gary Hoyer along with BOH Secretary Maria Andrews and Board of Health Attorney William Pandos.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

A motion by Cally, seconded by Hoyer to approve the Board's 5/18/22 meeting minutes with no revisions noted, was approved by voice vote.

AGENDA REVIEW

It was noted for the record that there were no changes made to the posted agenda.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPICS NOT ON THE AGENDA

It was noted for the record that no members of the public were present at the meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR SPECIAL PRESENTATON

Introduction: Ordinance 08, 2022 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 173: COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS, CERTIFICATE REQUIRED

Introduction: ORDINANCE 09, 2022 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 168-11: TRANSFER OF PROPERTY, CHANGE IN USE; LETTER OF REVIEW REQUIRED

There was discussion among the Board Members regarding the proposed ordinance amendments with Chairman Hart expressing concern over who the enforcing authority would be. A motion was made by Cally and seconded by Dale to table both Ordinance 08, 2022 and Ordinance 09, 2022. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Septic Alteration with Waivers – B: 14 L: 18 – 536 Route 31

It was noted that Engineer Alex Mikos of Goldenbaum Baill Engineering was not present due to illness, but could be reached by cell phone if needed.

The septic alteration is to correct a malfunctioning system that services an existing 3 bedroom dwelling with no proposed expansion. The proposed design is not in full conformance with the code and the following waiver was granted:

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1. The highest regional water table is at 16 inches in both soil logs which is less than the maximum allowed by code of 24 inches from the existing grade. The design will still have a minimum of 48 inches of separation from the regional water table to the proposed level of infiltration. The Board waived the 24 inch requirement.

A motion by Dale, seconded by Hoyer to grant the requested waivers was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Septic Alteration with Waivers: Block 28 Lot 21 - 253 Goat Hill Road

Present for the discussion was Engineer Wayne Ingram from E&LP Associates, Inc.

Engineer Ingram explained the septic alteration is to correct a malfunctioning system that services an existing 4 bedroom dwelling with no proposed expansion. The system design includes use of a HOOT H-600A ATU tank/treatment unit and requires the following waiver:

1. The highest regional water table is at 9 inches in soil log 1, which is less than the maximum allowed by code of 24 inches from the existing grade. The Board waived the 24 inch requirement.

A motion by Hoyer, seconded by Dale to grant the requested waiver was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Authorization to Seek TWA from NJDEP: Block 27 Lot 1 – 1864 River Road

Secretary Andrews explained the Board already granted this authorization at their March 16, 2022 meeting when Engineer Casey Wood of Bayer Risse Enginnering presented the TWA for the other portion/half of this parcel known as Block 27 Lot 2. At that time, she noted a TWA would be required for Lot 1 and asked for authorization for both lots at that time. Engineer Wood clarified during the March meeting that both septic designs will be if full conformance with the code and therefore the Board authorized the County to sign the TWA for both lots 1 & 2.

It was noted for the record that the Board acknowledged Engineer Wood is seeking the TWA for Block 27 Lot 1 at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:37 PM on motion by Cally and seconded by Hoyer.

Maria Andrews, Board of Health Secretary

APPROVED: 11/16/22