

MINUTES

7:30 PM

PRESENT: J. Golden
I. Kyd
P. Lubitz
R. Phillips
P. Mikes, Alt #1

ABSENT: N. Marmorato, Alt #2

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by J. Golden at 7:30 PM.

NOTIFICATION

In order to ensure full public participation at this meeting, all members of this Board, and members of the public are requested to speak only when recognized by the Chair so that there is no simultaneous discussion or over-talk, and further, all persons are requested to utilize the microphones which are provided for your use by the Township. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Notification of the time, date and place of this meeting has been published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and Courier News on January 26, 2017, and has been posted in the Kingwood Township Municipal Building on January 26, 2017 and has been filed with the Municipal Clerk.

NEW AND PENDING MATTERS

Well Ordinance – Waiver Criteria

V. Uhl provided the following memo to the Board regarding suggested situations for the Waiver Criteria:

158-30. Waiver Criteria

Replacement of or alteration to a well in the event of well failure due to:

1. Well Yield Diminishment:

Waiver Criteria:

- a. Yields less than the minimum yields as set forth in the table below.

Table ___: Minimum Yield Requirements for wells (adapted partially from Table 2 of the ordinance)

Well Yield from Constant Rate Test

Residential Water Use

2 to 3 gpm
1.5 to 2 gpm
1 to 1.5 gpm

up to 4 bedrooms
up to 3 bedrooms
up to 2 bedrooms

Requires licensed well driller or consultant verification of current well yield.

2. Well Construction Problems:

Waiver Criteria:

- a. Nonconformance with NJDEP, County or Township construction requirements (generally casing length).
- b. Less than 100 foot well depth.

Requires licensed well driller or consultant verification.

3. Water Quality Problems:

Waiver Criteria:

- a. Presence of total coliform or e-coli bacteria (after well has been chlorinated).
- b. Turbidity, sediment, or odor issues.
- c. Other drinking water constituents exceeding standards.

Requires report from NJ certified laboratory verifying exceedances

P. Lubitz stated the suggested criteria for waivers in the instances of Nos. 1 & 3 make sense. Waiver criteria No. 2 seems to only apply to the applicant that recently made the request to the Board. Should the Board adopt a waiver criteria for just one developer? The developer is the owner of a lot which had a house on it. The house was demolished. The developer assumed that he could build his house and that the well was sufficient. The developer took the risk on the well and had the opportunity to perform the well testing in the appropriate season. The developer chose to build the house and test the well afterwards and found that it was inadequate to supply the new dwelling with water.

P. Lubitz stated there may be other instances that may require a waiver and are not included in the suggestions from V. Uhl. The Construction Official should be contacted to see if he has encountered any other issues that have been delayed due to well construction, especially in the Byram Colony. The Board attorney will contact the Construction Official.

After a brief discussion, the matter was adjourned until the June meeting.

Approval Minutes

It was moved by I. Kyd, seconded by P. Lubitz and carried to approve the minutes of February 15, 2017 and place on file. All members present voted **AYE** on **ROLL CALL VOTE**, except P. Mikes.

CORRESPONDENCE

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by I. Kyd, seconded by P. Mikes and carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 PM. All members present voted **AYE**.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Laudenschick, Secretary