

PITKIN TOWN
Board of Health Meeting
Newcomb Community Center

February 13th at 7:30pm

MINUTES

Full and timely notice of this meeting was provided pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(2)(c).

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** Mayor Rachel New called the meeting to order at 7:36 pm. Board of Health members Angela Huckaby, John Rowan, Cory Nasso, Brad Wick and Suzy Metzler were present. Minutes taken by Clerk Sara Gibb.

2. **For Board of Health Action:**

Discuss OWTS application and next appropriate action. A permit application was turned in last month.

Board of Health member Cory Nasso recused himself from the discussion and excused himself from the front table.

The Board of Health reviewed the building plans with BOH member Brad Wick leading the explanation of the OWTS plans. Trustee Suzy Metzler stated that she wrote up an email that the BOH should have received. The BOH reviewed the submitted plans. BOH member Brad Wick asked for the drawing to show that the effluent pipe is encased between the setback on one property and the setback on the other property.

Mayor Rachel New asked if the pipes running under the road is allowed without a variance. BOH member Brad Wick stated that the crossing of a road is a decision of the Town Board. Trustee Brad Wick suggests that the Board of Health recommend to the Board of Trustees to grant the easement for at least one sewer/effluent line and also for a couple of conduit lines to run water and electrical under the road. It should be determined how wide the easement should be.

Mayor Rachel New stated it is important to follow regulations and be consistent when handling requests such as the current request.

Chris Nasso stated the two pieces are already one parcel and will not be divided. **The Nassos are requested to provide a document showing that the two parcels are tied and an update on the drawings.**

Trustee Suzy Metzler stated that Rand recommends approving this system even though it's not going on 9,000 square feet.

BOH member Brad Wick said there is no reason to not grant the easement. The easement will be approved by the Board of Trustees. Attorney McDonald will prepare the easement

language. The easement will be part of the property record. **The Board of Trustees will approve the easement at the next regular meeting.**

Motion to approve the Nasso septic system contingent on the execution of an easement agreement between the owner and the town of Pitkin and words describing that the two properties are one unit made by Trustee Brad Wick. Seconded by Trustee Angela Huckaby. Motion carried 4-0.

Public comment: Jesse Garetson, Chris Nasso

Mayor New stated that it is regrettable that this OWTS application was not on the agenda last Monday. The explanation for why is unclear. The sanitarian left the information with Trustee Metzler a few weeks ago. Trustee Metzler seemed to be acting as a beneficiary of Town's OWTS and this is improper and is stepping out of the job description of a trustee. This may seem like a simple thing but it breaks down trust. Mayor New asked if there still question from this board as to what should happen when dealing with OWTS permits? There is no reason this should have been sat on for two weeks and require a special meeting. And coming into this blind was very frustrating. The Board of Health could not prepare because its members did not know what exactly they were looking at or what part of Reg 43 would apply.

BOH member Suzy Metzler stated that she just had the stuff because Rand was staying with her when he was here. According to Suzy, Rand stated that Chris was supposed to put the item on the agenda. Trustee Metzler stated that she was only doing what Rand said to do. It's always been done this way. She did send an email that she wrote with Rand back then.

BOH member Cory Nasso asked why a trustee had the papers and not the Environmental Health Clerk. Cyndi Wick did not have the paperwork. BOH member Suzy Metzler stated that when she was EHA she never had any applications for septic systems.

BOH member Brad Wick would like to move on. He asked if the Board was really going to spend time discussing this. He states he has a meeting with Bob Williams on 2/14 to discuss new documentation requirements for OWTS.

BOH member Suzy Metzler wanted to know what the procedure was for getting items on the agenda. She wanted to be told how this happens. She wants to talk about it before she leaves tonight.

BOH member Brad Wick wanted to move on because the agenda is not part of the scope of this meeting.

3. Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm

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