

West Tisbury Zoning Board of Appeals

April 8, 2020

Zoning Board Members,

My name is Eric Serpa. My wife Kim and I own 24 Oak Knoll Road. We are two lots west and only 140 feet from the DeMeireles property. We are opposed to the home business being proposed.

We feel that the nature of this business has too high of an impact on our property and our neighborhood. Our development is too small and private to withstand the impact of a welding and automotive shop. The nature of the business requires large equipment/trailers and vehicles to access our small dirt road to drop off and pick up equipment and vehicles being repaired. A main road access or commercial lot is needed for a business such as this.

The previous owner of 36 Oak Knoll Road started his home welding business with the intent of doing minor jobs at his shop as he did most of his work on job sites as a mobile welder. Over the years, the home business grew into much more than he was approved for. He started to work full time at his shop and added more equipment and ventilation equipment for spraying. The noises and unhealthy odors became much more of a burden on us. The heavy equipment passing in front of our house started as early as 6:00 am and went into the evening. The interior and exterior of the shop was in use every day of the week creating a great disturbance to us.

We urge you to deny the application

Thank you,

Eric and Kim Serpa

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eric Serpa".