

**WEST TISBURY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 5, 2016**  
**2ND FLOOR TOWN HALL AT 5:15 PM**

**PRESENT:** Nancy Cole, Bob Schwier, Larry Schubert, Tony Higgins and Julius Lowe

**ALSO PRESENT:** Julie and Arthur Hitchings, Paul Rashba, Michael and Genevieve Jacobs, Vince Maciel, Keith Maciel, Heather Maciel and Reid Silva

A quorum being present Nancy called the meeting to order at 5:15pm.

**5:15 pm- A continuation of an application by Reid Silva, agent for Keith and Lara Maciel for a marine service business 8.5-2(B) and 9.2-2. Map 8, Lot 25-5 8 Beaten Path, RU District.**

Nancy read the email from Tony Omer, (see attached), which addresses his concerns about the project. The Board reviewed the plan supplied by the applicant showing where the boats would be located. Reid had, at the previous site visit, indicated that there would be no boats visible from Beaten Path. Keith verified the areas designated for boat storage on the map. He stated that he hoped he could store a total of 8 boats on the property at a time, 3 being his own. Nancy suggested that there would have to be serious screening such as a berm and plantings. She also cited a need for conditions for the sake of clarity and an engineered plan showing the areas used for the business. Keith verified that he plans to block off one of the driveways behind the barn. The existing screening was discussed and Larry suggested 10 foot screening trees. Julius brought up the cost involved in plantings that large. Larry cited concerns regarding the run off from the boatyard, which can increase the occurrence and size of potholes. Keith responded that the road does not have a crown but rather is concave so that aspect of runoff is not, in his opinion, a problem. On the same subject, Keith said that he had checked with other facilities that agreed to do his power washing offsite. Anthony suggested that this be one of the conditions.

Nancy closed the hearing and asked for public comment. Paul Rashba spoke to the noise and chemical issues involved. He also voiced his concerns about setting precedence for other businesses to come into the neighborhood. Larry stated that at the last meeting, Keith had agreed to, "taking care of the products in the proper way..."adhering to Industry standards". Julius addressed Paul's concerns about precedence stating that each proposed business would have to come before the ZBA and adhere to stated conditions and regulations. Nancy supported this statement, saying that any special permit granted is for the applicant only and subsequent owners would have to reapply. She explained that the Bylaw does allow for businesses "within reason".

Vince suggested that hours of operation be agreed to. Dr. Jacobs stated that the companies that have agreed to power wash the boats should agree to adhere to the EPA guidelines as well and that should be standard procedure. Bob suggested that a finished plan be presented before the ZBA begin deliberating.

Nancy suggested that some of the parameters of the business have changed. Keith agreed, stating that he would now only be doing mechanics on the boats. Vince suggested that Keith put together a synopsis of what his business now entails.

The suggestion was made that only a total of 6 boats be allowed at any one time on the site. Reid asked if 2 boats less than the aforementioned 8 boats would really make a difference considering the area would already be screened. Larry replied that he would be okay with 8 depending on the screening.

Nancy asked Bob about continuing the hearing. The Board continued to discuss conditions that should apply if the application were to be allowed, such as hours of operation, number of boats, visual screening and designated areas for the boats. Larry mentioned that there are 12 areas that need to be addressed within the Special Permit regulations.

*Bob made a motion to postpone a decision on the hearing. Larry seconded the motion. The vote on the motion to postpone was unanimous in favor.*

It was decided that the hearing would be continued until July 14, 2016 at 5:45pm.

Correspondence was reviewed  
The meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Pam Thors, Administrative Assistant