# GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH – REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 16, 2013

#### CALL TO ORDER

The December 16, 2013, regular meeting of the Green Township Board of Health was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Mrs. Peralta read the statement of adequate notice.

ROLL CALL: Present: Chris Bilik, Jim Chirip, Daniel Conkling, Steve Kurzeja, and Peg Phillips

Also Present: Clerk/Administrator, Secretary Board of Health, Linda Peralta

**DISCUSSION:** Letter from Tom and Maria Wessel Requesting Approval to Modify Existing Finished Basement (Attached) – Mr. Wessel explained his request to temporarily modify a finished existing basement in order to have his elderly parents with failing health live there. He currently has a 4 bedroom home which the septic system is designed for. Mr. Wessel explained he does not intend to put in a kitchen or closet, only a bathroom with a shower. The Committee had some concerns/questions regarding zoning issues and septic codes. Mr. Stein explained there are no zoning or septic issues since they will only be relocating a bedroom that is not in use. After discussion the Committee gave their approval for the modification. Mr. Stein suggested the Committee adopt a resolution at the next meeting memorializing exactly what was approved. The Committee thanked Mr. Wessel for his honesty.

Motion:

Mr. Bilik

Seconded:

Mr. Conkling

Discussion:

None

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Bilik	X			
Mr. Conkling	X			
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Chirip	X			

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 11, 2013, Regular Meeting

Motion:

Mr. Kurzeja

Seconded:

Mr. Bilik

Discussion:

None

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Bilik	X			
Mr. Conkling	X			
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Chirip	X			

#### MATTERS FROM THE SECRETARY: None

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND/OR QUESTIONS: None**

# ADJOURN:

Motion:

Mr. Bilik made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 p.m.

Seconded:

Mrs. Phillips

Discussion:

None

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Bilik	X			
Mr. Conkling	X			
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Chirip	X			

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\*ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THESE MINUTES

Linda Peralta, RMC, Clerk/Administrator

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To Whom It May Concern,

From my understanding, there will be a Township meeting on Dec 16<sup>th</sup> which I may request a' hardship approval' to modify our existing finished basement to include a bathroom with shower, and 'bedroom'.

The reason for the request is to provide an area where my parents may live. My mother has a number of ailments, such as, but not limited to, Parkinson's. My father has mild dementia and also has difficulties walking (especially stairs). Both were living on their own until recently when my Mom's health decreased rapidly. She is limited to using a walker and has much difficulty handling stairs.

Our house currently has 4 bedrooms, 2 ½ baths. Only 2 of the 4 bedrooms are being used. It is far to stressing, for my parents, to use the stairs. Our plan would be to modify the basement by having a bathroom and shower installed. The basement is walk-out with sliding glass doors leading to the back yard. There would not be a closet with doors installed - just a bed in close proximity to the bathroom. There will NOT be a kitchen. The house is not intended to be modified to be a 5 bedroom house - the basement will be converted to a recreation room, as it is now, in the long term.

Sincerely,

Jøm Wessel

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