

**St. George Planning Board
On-site Inspection
Tenants Harbor General Store
June 24, 2019 - 5 p.m.**

An on-site visitation inspection was held at 5 p.m. Planning Board members present were: Jane Brown, Brendan Chase, Ray Emerson, Michael Jordan and Mary K. Hewlett (Chairperson Anne Cox and alternate member Alan Letourneau were absent). Also present were: Terry Brackett, CEO Brackett; Richard Bates, Diane Hall, and Charles Christensen.

CEO Brackett opened the on-site inspection. Charles Christensen represented the applicant. The application is to install a second heat pump unit beside the existing heat pump unit.

Ms. Hewlett asked if they were using the same installer as previously and Christensen said no because Dead River no longer installs or services heat pumps. Mid-Coast Energy Systems will install the new unit.

Mr. Christensen said the inside air conditioner was set at 64 degrees. Standing next to the existing unit, Mr. Emerson meter the decibel level at 75. Stepping approximately 5' to 6' away, the decibel level was reduced to approximately 60 decibels. The current mounted air conditioner unit in the window will be removed, according to Mr. Christensen.

Mr. Christensen noted that the same type of fan and inverter will be used and placed next to the existing fan/inverter.

Mr. Jordan asked how the new unit will be installed. Ms. Hewlett asked if the new unit will be placed on the same type of platform. She noted the current unit sits on rubber pads which will absorb vibrations. Christensen said he did not know if the unit will be placed on a base or what type of mount the company will use. The existing unit is 41" wide, 13" deep, and 52" tall and the new unit will be very similar in size to the existing unit.

Ms. Hewlett asked about the exhaust pipe extending out from the back of the building. Mr. Christensen stated it is an exhaust for the store's hot air/gas furnace. Ms. Hewlett asked if that was okay to have the unit placed below the exhaust pipe. CEO Brackett asked if the installer has seen the site. Christensen thinks the installer has but will get the answer to Brackett's question for the public hearing. CEO Brackett thinks it will be good to have that information in case the applicant needs to change the location of the unit rather than having to get approval for another location.

There was no further discussion or questions. The on-site visitation inspection ended at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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