



CITY OF RYE

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April 9, 2009

Mr. Leonard S. Meyerson, P.E.
Deputy Commissioner
Division of Environmental Health
County of Westchester
145 Huguenot Street, 8th Floor
New Rochelle, New York 10801

Dear Mr. Meyerson:

I am forwarding for information and action a list of alleged violations of various codes on Hen Island in the City of Rye submitted to us by Mr. Ray Tartaglione on March 29, 2009. The list has been notated by Rye City's Building Inspector identifying the authority believed to have jurisdiction on each item.

The City Building and Fire Inspector conducted an inspection on April 1, 2009. Mr. Tamburro has issued the enclosed notice of violation dated April 8, 2009 for items under the City's jurisdictions.

We respectfully request that your agency undertake a review of these matters under your jurisdiction and take whatever action you deem appropriated.

Please feel free to contact Mr. Tamburro or myself if you need additional information.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank J. Culross', written over a horizontal line.

Frank J. Culross, Acting City Manager

Enclosure:

Hen Island Violation List Revised March 2009

Below are the concerns that were provided to the City from Mr. Tartaglione. *The Authority having jurisdiction are in brackets.*

North End

- * No potable water (all cottages) □ [Westchester County Health Department]
- * Sewage privies under homes and along shore in some cases no approvals (all cottages) [Westchester County Health Department]
- * 12 volt and 110 electrical systems (most cottages) □ [City of Rye]
- * Propane lines and improper storage (all cottages) [City of Rye]
- * Water troughs (mosquito breeding sites) (all cottages) [Westchester County Health Department]
- * No backboards or other life saving devises for beach or docks [unknown who is the authority having jurisdiction]

- * No fire extinguishers or ring buoys all docks [unknown who is the authority having jurisdiction]

- * Wood stored rear of North Island [City of Rye]
- * Sewage privy (close to high tide water line) cottage # 3 [Westchester County Health Department]

- * Sewage privies (block wall above ground privies) cottage # 1 [Westchester County Health Department]

- * Steel buried in beach for erosion control cottage # 1 [City of Rye]
- * No domestic water, privy clogged, cottage abandon, cottage # 2 [Westchester County Health Department]

- * Filling in the buffer zone between cottage # 4 and cottage # 3 [City of Rye]
- * Severe mosquito infestation [Westchester County Health Department]

- * Dock damaged attractive nuisance cottage # 7 [City of Rye]
- * Steel stairs leading to beach rotted without rail cottage # 8 [City of Rye]
- * New wall and walkway constructed without permits cottage # 9 [City of Rye]
- * New electrical system and propane piping installation without permits cottage # 9 [City of Rye]
- * Exposed privy, rotted wooden top, emitting odors, cottage # 11 [Westchester County Health Department]
- * Rodent infestation cottage # 11 [Westchester County Health Department]

- * Rodent infestation cottage # 12 □ [Westchester County Health Department]

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Middle Section □

- * No potable water (all cottages) [*Westchester County Health Department*]
- * Sewage privies under homes in water table less than two feet (all cottages) [*Westchester County Health Department*]
- * 12 volt and 110 electrical systems (all cottages) [*City of Rye*]
- * Water troughs (mosquito breeding sites) (all cottages) [*Westchester County Health Department*]
- * Sewage privy (close to high tide water line) cottage # 20 [*Westchester County Health Department*]
- * Propane lines and improper storage (all cottages) [*City of Rye*]
- * Cottage #19 rebuilt in 1993 (no privy approval from WCDOH as per wetlands permit, no electrical or plumbing inspections since rebuilding) [*Westchester County Health Department and City of Rye*]
- * Severe mosquito infestation especially in path to North Island [*Westchester County Health Department*]
- * No fire extinguishers or ring buoys for dock [*unknown who is the authority having jurisdiction*]
- * No backboards or other life saving devises for beach [*unknown who is the authority having jurisdiction*]
- * Abandon over twelve years, open privy, cottage # 18 [*Westchester County Health Department*]
- * Soil retention wall built below water line on beach no permit cottage # 19 & 20 [*City of Rye*]
- * Exposed electrical wires outside cottage #20 [*City of Rye*]
- * Wood, tires and debris on beach and shoreline [*City of Rye*]

□ South End

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- * No potable water (all cottages) [*Westchester County Health Department*]

- * Sewage privies under homes (most cottages) [*Westchester County Health Department*]

- * Garbage can in ground used for sewage pit Ederer cottage □ [*Westchester County Health Department*]

- * 12 volt and 110 electrical systems (some cottages) □ propane lines and improper storage (most Cottages) [*City of Rye*]
- * Major fire 2006 cottage # 23 □ [*City of Rye*]

- * Water troughs (mosquito breeding sites) (all cottages) □ [*Westchester County Health Department*]

- * Steel walkway and tires buried on beach [*City of Rye*] □
- * Buried oil tank on shoreline □ [*Westchester County Health Department*]

- * New cottage constructed without health approvals (sewer and domestic water) [*Westchester County Health Department*]

- * Cottage # 27 wood and debris on beach and shoreline [*City of Rye*]
- * □ No backboards or other life saving devises for beach [*unknown who is the authority having jurisdiction*]

- * No fire extinguishers or ring buoys for docks □ [*unknown who is the authority having jurisdiction*]

- * Backfilling in the buffer zone [*City of Rye*]
- * Cottage # 22 □ outhouse in use [*Westchester County Health Department*]

- * Cottage # 32 □ installation of new retaining wall in buffer zone [*City of Rye*]
- * Cottage # 28 □ □ [?]