Board of Health Meeting MinutesMay 17, 2012

Present: Ken Lefebvre, Rich Maccagnano, and Ann McCobb. Ken called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Rich and seconded by Ken to approve the 5/3/12 minutes. All in favor.

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

Health Director's Report

Mission Springs received a variance last year to turn the cooling system on prior to the June 15th Housing code requirement. It is scheduled to be converted from heating to AC on June 5th.

377 Highland - Septic Upgrade

Joe Marquedant. Jr. presented the proposed septic upgrade plan for 377 Highland requesting a variance for the setback to the private well. Rich recommended that they consider connecting to the town water. Joe said the owners didn't want to go to the expense when they had a viable well. Rich said since they are selling the property it would be better to give the new owners water without a variance, but if they wanted to proceed then well testing would be needed. Joe said well testing was done and it was ok, but he didn't have the results with him.

Ann said that the owners had the option of connecting to the Orchard's sewer, but they had declined. Joe said the DEP said they were better to stand on their own. Joe said they would explore connecting to the town water and would come to the next board meeting.

Rich made a motion to continue the discussion at the next meeting, June 7th. Ken seconded, and passed unanimously.

411 Washington Street – Dunkin Donuts

Attorney Mike Healy, representing Dunkin Donuts presented the overview of the septic project, and said the waste water results are not what they need to be. To lighten the loading on the septic field, they will have Holliston Sewer Service pump the grease trap as needed so that no grease enters the septic field.

Mike Dunne, Waste Water Technology, who had sold Dunkin Donuts the equipment, said the system is over-loaded and they will not be able to meet the requirements.

Dean Schofield, project engineer, had sent a letter to the Board outlining the situation: after a year of testing they have found out that they have more flow, and higher strength flow. He requested

that the Board increase their permit to 3000 gal/day and they will proceed with another treatment option.

Rich said they must meet Title 5 requirements. They will increase the gallons per day flow if they can show that they can meet the T5 requirements.

Dean said they will change the configuration of the treatment and maybe add a tank, but not change the leach field. The leach field is good and can handle the increased capacity.

Rich said that they should design a system that can handle the 3000 gal/day capacity, and show that it can treat the current 1165 gal/day flow, and then they will increase the permit. Everyone agreed.

86 Washington Street - Mixed-use Building

Paul Saulnier presented his calculations for the 6 bay, mixed-use building at 86 Washington Street. It currently has 2 unoccupied bays. The 4 occupied bays are as follows: 1. service station, 2. auto repair, 3. landscaper, and 4. detail shop. Each of the 6 bays has a half-bath and a sink. Paul talked with the DEP regarding the classification of the bays, and they are functionally most similar to "warehouse storage units."

Paul documented the water meter usage at the 4 occupied bays and felt that the 2 unoccupied bays could be used as service bays, with 49 gpd reserve septic capacity. The tenants are on 2 or 3 year leases. Rich requested that any tenant change would require a water meter review. Paul agreed.

Ann asked Paul to provide a summary table of each unit, the tenant name, use, wastewater flow required, water meter readings, and identify each unit that is connected to the tight tank. Rich said after the letter is submitted, the board will vote on it. Paul agreed.

Board Member Comment

Ken was thanked for his 3 years of service on the Board. Ken was pleased with what they had accomplished.

Ken motioned to adjourn the meeting. Rich seconded, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:
Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk