

# Board of Health Meeting Minutes

## December 10, 2015

Present: Julia Lane, Claire Scaramella, Karen Spaziante and Scott Moles.  
Karen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Karen Spaziante and seconded by Julia Lane to approve the 11/12/15 minutes. All in favor.**

### Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved:

Century Health Systems, VNA	\$66.00
FST, Covanta Compliance Officer	\$2,160.00
FST, Covanta Compliance Officer	\$1,040.00

### Board of Health Liaisons

The Board members signed up for the following positions:

**Karen:** Finance Committee, Water Department, Selectmen

**Claire:** School Committee, Conservation Committee, Agricultural Commissions

**Julia:** Building Department, Zoning Board, Planning Board

### Health Director's Report

**Corner Market** had a soft opening in December, and will be closed for the holidays. They will have their real "opening" next week. His food permit was pro-rated for 2 weeks in December, 2015. Scott did one inspection already and will be going back there. Len Izzo, our Food Inspector, has all the information.

### Covanta

- Covanta has been called and emailed reminding them they need to send the funds for the Compliance Officer, Brian Moran.
- Scott and Brian sorted through 10 boxes (5 cubic feet) of Casella site assignment public hearing documents from 2001 to 2009. Three boxes have been identified as retain documents, 5 boxes have been destroyed, and 2 boxes are still to be reviewed. The State required "Application for Destruction Permission" was filed and approved.
- Covanta was required to test monthly for coliform, then expanded to quarterly, now they and want to stop testing. But there was positive coliform testing in 2013, so Scott sent a letter requiring another round of sampling and testing to insure they are not polluting the stream. Testing may be best during the next rain event.
- Covanta is well under their tonnage limit.

- The transition to Lawrence Waste Transit is going well. Coliform was the only DEP identified issue.

**Food and Tobacco Permits:** The letters reminding establishments of their 2016 food and tobacco permits were sent and due back by next week.

**Flu Clinic** forms for reimbursement were mailed (95% of forms). There will be a small mailing to finish up the remaining doses at the school nurses.

**Installers Permits** have been issued for several new installers to Holliston. The warm weather is allowing a longer than usual installation period. For installers who are doing a single project they have been charged for a single permit. For installers who will be working for more than a single 30 day period, they are having to get the 2015 permit, and then the 2016 renewed permit.

**194 Lowland Street:** Mike Brumber has sent a letter to all the permitting departments, and Scott shared this letter with the BoH. Scott sent a reply letter to Mike saying he received his letter and referred back to the May 13, 2015 BoH letter that outlined the required steps for permitting. Planning Commission has denied Mike's permitting request and Conservation Commission will deny it at their Tuesday meeting.

**Placentino Cafeteria** instructed to use Sterno heaters on the warming line that is not working properly. Len Izzo, Food Inspector has told them for years to upgrade that line. The second warming line is working properly. Holly Everett, Food Service Coordinator, Len and Scott will meet next week to discuss the schools plans to replace that line.

**Board of Health Intern,** Tiffany Givner, finished her first semester with the Health Department. Scott sent a letter of recommendation to the Regis College coordinator. Tiffany hopes she can intern with us again next semester. She will let us know in mid-January.

**Housing complaints:**

- 29 Norfolk Street, the windows have been replaced and the work is almost done
- 43 Regal Street, Scott is working with Mike Cassidy & Peter Tartakoff resolving an occupancy issue

**Cancer in Massachusetts** data is available on line. Scott reviewed the basic trends. There is a higher incident of Leukemia, Lung, Bronchial cancers, but Holliston is the mean for other cancers.

**Oakridge Condominium drainage:** Scott sent Rick Morrison a letter that Rick requested, saying the BoH would not be pursuing this drainage safety issue further; copying Fire Chief Mike Cassidy and Town Administrator Jeff Ritter. Scott had gotten a letter from an Oakridge Condo abutter saying he had done what Scott requested diverting the direct flow from the property line. Rick has put dirt by the fence to try to divert additional flow. Rick stopped by

the office and got a copy of the abutter's letter, since he didn't have a copy. He was going to talk to the Police Chief.

### **Sharps Disposal Program**

- Stericycle picked up 3 boxes of sharps for medical disposal
  - 2 boxes were from the Sharps Disposal Program
  - 1 box was the sharps from our flu clinics
- Clair said there is a newly developed bag that has enzymes to dissolve unwanted drugs rendering them safe for disposal.

### **Inquiries**

- Inquiry to grow medical marijuana, but there are strict security requirements
- 2<sup>nd</sup> vape shop, but no follow-up
- Nothing new regarding Dr. Vasu Brown

### **Local Upgrade Approval – 251 Gorwin Drive**

Scott presented the upgrade plan at 251 Gorwin drive. The LUA they are requesting:

- Allow the SAS to be installed 2 feet about seasonal high ground water since using an Elgin GSF System
- Reduction to 12" separation between the inlet and outlet tees to high ground water,
- Deeper installation under driveway (from 36" to 48")

Scott explained that the large lot will not be divided for another house, and they have a place for horses that is not over the septic system.

**Karen made a motion to allow the 3 LUA's listed above for 251 Gorwin Drive. Claire seconded, and passed unanimously.**

### **Board of Health Comment**

None

**Karen Spaziante motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Claire Scaramella seconded, and passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted:  
Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 1-14-15