# Board of Health Meeting Minutes December 8, 2016

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

# Public Comment

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Julia and seconded by Karen to approve the 10/13/16 minutes. All in favor. A motion was made by Julia and seconded by Claire to approve the 11/17/16 minutes. All in favor.

#### **Approval of Bills**

The following bills were approved and signed:

Stericycle – Sharps Disposal Program	\$70.00
Stantec - Covanta Compliance Officer	\$480.00
Flu Clinic Nurse Stipend – all but Julia & Claire	\$450.00
Flu Clinic Nurse Stipend –Julia	\$50.00
Flu Clinic Nurse Stipend –Claire	\$50.00

#### 39 Pinecrest Road – Presby Septic – LUA

Scott presented the variance request of 2' from high ground water (HGW) for a Presby septic system upgrade at 39 Pinecrest Road. It requires a similar deed restriction that the Eljen systems have. Using the Presby system will allow this upgrade to not have a mound. Scott recommended approval of the variance to the Board. The Board discussed the plan with Scott.

Karen made a motion to allow the 2' reduction to HGW from the 4' requirement at 39 Pinecrest Road. Claire seconded. Passed unanimously.

#### **Health Director's Report**

1137-1143 Highland Street Bond - The Board discussed this shared septic system for the 2 properties, and the \$10,000 bond that is being retained in case the shared system fails. An amendment needs to be drafted and recorded on both deeds for what happens when the septic system needs repair or replacement. But the owner needs some of that \$10,000 bond money to pay the attorney to draft that amendment.

Karen made a motion to release \$5,000 of the bond to the owner so that the attorney can draft and record the septic amendment and record it on the deeds for 1137 and 1143

Highland Street. The remaining \$5,000 of the bond will be released when the Board receives an acceptable amendment that is recorded on both deeds.

- **89 Cross Street Pure Sugar Studio Candy Manufacturer** Scott and the Board discussed the request for candy manufacturing at 89 Cross Street. The DEP indicated that this low volume candy production, which is predominately sugar, will have minimal impact on the septic system. The applicant needs to make a proper submission with Food Establishment Permit Application, Operation Questionnaire, and fee.
- **Food Inspector, Len Izzo** Scott met with Len at the Holiday Stroll and last Monday. The food inspections are getting done, but we've not received the reports or invoices for them. Two of the Board members have never met Len. Scott will invite Len to meet with the Board in the beginning of the New Year.

At the Holiday Stroll, Scott and Len inspected a food truck that was not clean, and made them clean up before opening for business. That truck had been spotless at the earlier Food Truck event. Len deals with that owner and will speak with him about the incident.

#### **BoH Meeting Schedule:**

- 12-22-16 meeting will have a LUA hearing, and all 3 BoH members will attend.
- 2017 meeting schedule is acceptable to the Board. The Board will continue meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month.

#### Flu Clinic:

- The nurses' stipends were approved.
- Next year's clinic is proposed for 11-21-17.
- The minimum age for vaccination will be raised from 2 to 3 years old so that the half-dosing of 2 year olds doesn't need to be addressed. We have very few 2 year olds come to the clinics. The Board agreed that the challenges of monitoring and tracking this half-dosing requirement during the clinics is not productive.
- Mobil Mart Tobacco Sale to Youth Violation The State sited the Mobil Mart for tobacco sale to a youth in November. The Board instructed Scott to issue a warning letter to Mobil Mart and visit them to insure that the proper employee education is in place. If necessary, the owner of the Mobil Mart may be asked to appear in front of the Board to be sure the Ban on Tobacco Sales to Youth regulations are being properly enforced.

Food and Tobacco Permit renewals are in process and due by January 1, 2017.

**FY'18 Budget** is due by February 14, 2017. No guidance document has been issued so far from the Finance Committee.

Housing Complaint: An anonymous housing complaint was received by the town and followed up on.

**Beaver activity** is up at Arch Street, Hopping Brook/Christopher Road, Dopping Brook, Brook Street and Washington Street. Beaver Permits will be issued for Brook Street and Dopping Brook.

MAHB Conference – Scott attended and reported it was a good conference.

#### Marijuana:

- The State is delayed in the regulations for medical marijuana.
- There have been no directives of how to manage legalization of marijuana.
- Marijuana legislation management was discussed at the Stake Holders Meeting.
- The newly voted recreational marijuana legislation will be significantly different than the medical legislation management.
- Homes can have up to 12 marijuana plants for personal use.
- The recent incent in a Chicago school of marijuana laced gummi bears was discussed regarding how this new legislation could impact our community.
- The Board will be discussing the impact of recreational marijuana at future meetings.

## **Board Member Comment**

None

Karen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Julia seconded, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 12-22-16