

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2013

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Eric Dickinson and Ann McCobb. Karen McManamon is absent. Rich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion: A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Eric Dickinson to approve the 1/31/13 Regular Session minutes. All in favor.

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

Westcott Site Services	\$380.00
MAHB – Legal Handbook	\$200.00

Health Director's Report

Storm Preparation: Liisa Jackson sent a message asking MRC members to be aware of potential needs in the area once the storm has arrived. The message was sent to all HERC members. Ann McCobb distributed a HERC member listing to Board and department in preparation.

Building Construction: Paul LeBeau met with the departments in the lower level to review the construction project timeline. All departments involved should be ready to move on Friday with construction beginning on Monday, 2/11/13. The project involves replacing ceiling tiles, insulation, walls and counters. WB Mason measured for desk top replacement. Carpet replacement will be evaluated as the project progresses.

Disaster Life Support Meeting: Holliston is hosting a basic disaster life support meeting for the region on Wednesday, March 13 at the Police Station.

Floor Drain Regulations: Ann McCobb submitted the approved regulations to Bill Mayer for review. Bill made a few changes to the wording in the areas of Scope of Authority, pluralizing Prohibitions, effective date statement and added Board members names.

Motion: A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Eric Dickinson to accept the changes as written on the Floor Drain Regulations document dated 2/5/13. All in favor.

7:15 Hearing – 29 Norfolk Street

Paul Saulnier joined the meeting representing the owners of 29 Norfolk Street. Paul presented the septic upgrade plan. It is a 2 family residence with 10 rooms and 5 bedrooms. There is no increase in flow proposed. There is an easement on the property for access to the old State Lumber property which must remain untouched. The remaining area is small and is very tight. The house has a stone foundation.

To avoid requiring DEP approval, Paul is proposing the septic be within 5 feet of the house, within 4 feet of the property line, installing a 40 mil HDPE liner along the length of the system and 4 feet above groundwater instead of 5 feet required. There will be a retaining wall along the rear side and

the back of the system. Paul moved the leach lines over in the stone bed away from the house instead of evenly spaced within the bed.

Ann McCobb commented that the variance to the foundation is critical. The plan requires a PLS (Professional Land Surveyor) stamp, the water line shown and the 6" crushed stone to be shown in the cross section design.

Eric Dickinson questioned where the residents' park and Paul replied the parking is on the easement.

Rich Maccagnano said he would like to see two layers of HDPE barrier installed with a separation between them and Eric was in agreement with Rich. Discussion continued and Paul told the Board that installing two barriers with a separation was not practical from an installation perspective.

An abutter from 25 Norfolk Street voiced a concern about his property being in a similar situation.

He stated that he would have to upgrade his septic in the near future and is wondering if the Town is doing anything to help residents in the process. Rich replied that the Board would like to keep septic projects at the local level if possible, get the system installed in an inexpensive as possible and environmentally sound manner.

Rich would like to see the two separated barriers installed, the covers to grade and an effluent filter.

Motion: A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Eric Dickinson to accept the variances:

- 1. allow the soil absorption system (SAS) to be 4 feet off the property line instead of the 10 feet required;**
- 2. allow the SAS to be 5 feet off the cellar wall instead of the 20 feet required;**
- 3. allow the SAS to be 4 feet above seasonal high groundwater instead of the 5 feet required;**

And require two, separated, 40 mil HDPE barriers installed along the length of the system.

All in favor.

Covanta – Operations and Maintenance

Tom Stanwood, of Covanta, and Brian Moran, Compliance Officer, joined the meeting. The discussion revolved around any loose ends in the site assignment, primarily floor washing and overnight storage. Tom said that the process involves clearing the floor each night, running the sweeper, applying odor control weekly in the summer, and power washing the floor every other month. The power washing would be sub-contracted, have the floor scraped, contain all the liquid and remove it from the site. Brian thought power washing on a quarterly basis would be adequate. Rich Maccagnano asked Tom whether two covered truck loads and material on the floor less than 30 tons was a limit he could work with. Tom was comfortable with those limits and said he prefers to not keep anything on the floor unless necessary. Brian said the operation looks good and a decent job is being done at the facility. The storm ceptors are rarely being used.

Tom will review his proposal and get it back to the Board for their acceptance.

Title V Engineering Support Services

Brian Moran offered engineering support services to the Town which the Board may discuss at the next meeting.

86 Washington Street – Multi-tenant Use

Paul Saulnier joined the discussion and submitted a spreadsheet with data showing the usage of the system from the current tenants. The building owner would like to sell the two empty units as condos. Discussion continued regarding the usage required by DEP standards versus the usage determined by water use. Paul explained that the tenants and possible future owners are not operating as full fledged auto mechanic shops; that they are really hobbyists. Rich Maccagnano is concerned that the units won't have the septic capacity to operate as auto repair and that more than

one owner will not be in the best interests of the system operation. Paul stated that any owner whether one or more, would be responsible for the system would not want to see it fail. He said that if the Board restricts the use of the units the owner will not be able to sell them at all and that puts the current owner at a hardship.

The Board will research legal documentation regarding privately owned units sharing a septic system with tenant occupied units.

Paul will tell the client to apply for their requested usage to the Board.

Health Director's Report continued

Budget FY14: Rich Maccagnano will present the Board's voted budget at the Finance Committee meeting tonight. Ann McCobb believes that this is a very preliminary part of the process. Rich will concentrate on the clerical and food service inspector funding.

Inoculation Warrant Article: The warrant article for the inoculation account is using the same language as last year. The account is not to exceed \$20, 000.

Motion: Eric Dickinson motioned to approve the inoculation revolving account article as written and not to exceed \$20,000. Seconded by Rich Maccagnano. All in favor.

SEA-Kleinfelder Contract: Steve Wright called Ann McCobb regarding the status of three unpaid invoices dating back to 2010. No testing of the Marshall Street site has been conducted since December 2011. The Selectmen now hold the contract with Kleinfelder although the Board of Health is responsible party for the site monitoring. Paul LeBeau told Ann that it would be on the warrant for the Fall 2012 town meeting and it was not on the Town Accountant's list. Steve Wright said the payments have not been made. Ann will draft a letter to the Selectmen and request that it be put on the warrant for the May 2013 town meeting. Rich added that the letter should include reference to the requirement by DEP and the administrative consent order.

Motion: Rich Maccagnano motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:20p.m. Seconded by Eric Dickinson, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Lisa Deering, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 3/7/13