

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

August 23, 2012

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

Ann noted that the State is raising the West Nile Virus threat in Cambridge.

Board of Health meeting dates in September (13 & 27) and October (11 & 25) will be the second and fourth Thursdays. In November (1 & 15) and December (6 & 20) the first and third Thursday meeting dates will resume.

81 Railroad Street agenda item will be postponed until 9/13/12 because Rich Westcott is on vacation.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

G & L Laboratories	\$60.00
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Norfolk/RAM	\$1,260.00
Sanofi Pasteur	\$894.04

Approval of Minutes

Motion: A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Eric Dickinson to approve the 8/9/12 minutes. All in favor.

7:15 Hearing – 17 Irving Place

Paul Saulnier, Civilized Solutions, presented an upgrade plan for an existing 3 bedroom house with an existing cesspool. The property extends back to the brook. He decided to test out in the front yard, out of the 100' wetlands buffer zone and he was able to avoid using a pump. He is using a lower profile Infiltrator Quick4 system. They will have to take down some trees to build 10' off the property line. Rich Maccagnano requested a barrier be installed along the side of the system facing the foundation and Paul agreed. Paul requested the following variances:

1. Setback of leach field to the foundation of 15' instead of 20' required;
2. Minimum separation of depth to groundwater of 4' instead of 5' required.

Motion: Rich Maccagnano motioned to approve the variances at 17 Irving Place to allow a reduction in the 20' foundation setback to 15' with the use of an impervious barrier and to allow a reduction in the minimum vertical separation to groundwater from 5' to 4'. Eric Dickinson seconded. All in favor.

Health Director's Report

1070 Washington Street: Ann McCobb responded to a request by Rich Maccagnano to have Don Kramer, Animal Inspector check Lil' Folk Farm, 1070 Washington Street. Rich's concern was the manure storage in the back of the property near the Rail Trail. Don told Ann that Rich's concern was out of his jurisdiction and that it is a Conservation Commission issue. Rich will bring it up with Conservation.

49 Central Street – Ann sent a letter to the owner requesting a change of use application. She has had no response and Rich would like to ask them to a future meeting.

41 Pleasant Street: The ditch work has been completed and our office has not received an application for the septic system. Rich would like to ask the owner to a future meeting.

Dunkin' Donuts, 441 Washington Street: Rich Westcott is thinking through the septic proposal. Paul Saulnier stated that he has done two peat systems but this system uses plastic balls as medium.

N.E. Emulsions, Lowland Street: Michelle Delmarre, DEP, sent a letter to them following her inspection. We have had no response from N.E. Emulsion regarding the noise abatement. Ann said the plan was to replace the diesel motor with an electric motor which should help reduce the noise level. Ann has spoken to the neighbors on Noel Drive.

Permit Extension Act: Ann just received notice from the State that the Permit Extension Act which was going to expire in 2012 was recently extended for four more years.

Bats & Rabies: The State has recently sent the boards of health a reminder regarding bat handling and possible exposures to bats. It has been posted on our website.

Communicable Disease: The DPH has been in contact with the Community Daycare regarding cases of chickenpox. Jean Sniffin has been out to investigate but the Board of Health has not received any notification yet.

7:30 Hearing – 16 Pinecrest Road

Paul Saulnier, Civilized Solutions, presented an upgrade plan for a 3 bedroom septic system. The homeowners wanted an Innovative/Alternative (I/A) system. Paul has been working with them since 2010. The design is a fully enclosed mound, 50' off a stream, with one 58' trench. Discussion ensued regarding the system placement and design. Paul stated this design was the least intrusive to a tree that the homeowners were hoping to spare. The design requires a variance to reduction of separation to groundwater from 5' to 4'.

Abutter James Dolliver, 19 Fairview Street, commented that the pond on 16 Pinecrest Road drains under the street and sometimes a board is placed in the culvert. When this happens and we receive heavy rains, the stream behind his yard causes his basement to flood and ponding in his backyard. The situation was discussed and both Paul and Rich Maccagnano do not believe this septic system will negatively affect the stream. The location of the stream is not relevant to this septic system.

Motion: Rich Maccagnano motioned to approve the variance at 16 Pinecrest Road to allow a reduction in the separation to seasonal high groundwater from 5' to 4'. Eric Dickinson seconded. All in favor.

Holliston Family Pharmacy

Rich Maccagnano introduced Matt Moen of the Holliston Family Pharmacy. Rich spoke about the long standing desire of the Board to address the sharps disposal need for the residents of Holliston. Matt said that the Pharmacy would be amenable to helping the situation, said he has begun the research process to implementing a system. Ann McCobb said that Bouvier Pharmacy in Marlboro has had a longstanding program in place, and has spoken to the Health Agent there. Discussion included the process, funding, and various possibilities. Matt expressed a potential space issue. Matt and the Board will continue the research, and discuss at a future meeting.

Health Director's Report continued

Region 4A: Ann did not attend the meeting today. The host agent said there is \$3,600 available to be spent on Emergency Preparedness. The host will no longer pay the sprint bills so approximately \$400 will go to that bill. Ann will also use some of the balance on attending the health conference in Springfield in October.

The board needs to come up with more spending ideas. Rich prefers purchasing AED's.

67 Jeffrey Avenue – Grasshopper Landscaping: Comments are due to the Planning Board on 9/20/12. Ann and Rich will draft a letter and visit the site. The business has grown and the compost facility has strict rules to be enforced.

Stone Consulting: Ann left a note for the Board; the report is not public yet. Rachel Brown, Stone consultant, cut back on the associate's degree requirement on the clerk job description. The Board wants to ensure the position fits within the town's consolidated personnel schedule. Stone Consulting made a comparison to the town of Weston, MA, but Ann stated that Weston has 2 full time RS's, a 10 hour RN, plus clerical staff. Ann said that it is hard to find a non-sewered town. It is up the Board to accept and approve the position.

Floor Drain Regulation: A public hearing could be held in the second week of September. The proposal would affect industrial/commercial buildings in Zone 2 of the public water supply, and be actuated by a change of use in a property.

Food Inspector Rate Survey: A survey would be done to prepare for fall Town Meeting.

Board Member Comment

None

Motion: Rich Maccagnano motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:35p.m. Eric seconded, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Lisa Deering, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 9/13/2012