Board of Health Meeting Minutes September 15, 2011

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Ken Lefebvre, Karen McManamon, and Ann McCobb Ken called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

Norfolk RAM \$140.00
Century Health Systems \$55.00
Richard Westcott \$237.50
Ann McCobb reimbursement \$4.76

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano Karen McManamon and seconded by Ken Lefebvre to approve the 7/21/2011 minutes. All in favor.

Mission Springs - Heating/Cooling System

Ann McCobb stated that there have been no fall complaints. The Board had all read the variance request letter from the Mission Springs Board of Directors. Jon Juhl, member of the Mission Springs Board (MSB), was present at the meeting and thanked both Ann and Rich for their guidance and help throughout the process. He said the variance request approval would allow management to offer air conditioning sooner in the year and have more flexibility in when they can convert. Management will look at the long term forecast for scheduling the switchover. They have also changed their air conditioning policy to achieve the goal to get flexibility. The MSB asked for procedures from the Board by February 2012.

Ann stated that the State may be changing the housing code as well.

Jon said the MSB is looking into replacing the re-circulating units in the hallways to allow for more air conditioning. The problems associated with the project are the engineering, the cost, installing all the floors and they need HUD approval to pay for the project.

Rich suggested the Lions club hold a one-day event in the spring and fall to install and uninstall individual air conditioning units in the apartments. Karen said this program is already in place for Cole Court and could be expanded to Mission Springs. Jon thought it was a good idea and said he will talk to the MSB and management.

A hearing date of November 3, 2012 was selected by the Board and agreed by Jon.

Public Comment

None

Health Director Report

Highlands @ Holliston/Well #7 – Ann received a note from Ron Sharpin stating the water departments goal is to get the \$1 million bonding and to move forward with well #7. Ann checked with Dave Boyer at DEP and he stated that if the lots are 40,000 sq. ft. for a 4 bedroom house then the Board can approve

any type of Title V compliant system. Mike Graf approved 11 of the plans. Four more came in on 8/23/11 and he is reviewing them now. Fafard has sold 65 lots to Toll Brothers.

7 Skyview Terrace Hearing

Mike Sullivan, of Connorstone Engineering, presented the septic upgrade plan for 7 Skyview Terrace. The house currently has a cesspool. The plumbing needs to be raised in the house to avoid installing a pump. Mike agreed to add grading detail to the plan revision as well as another observation port in the bed, a monolithic tank and a weighted cover.

Motion: Rich Maccagnano motioned to grant a variance for 7 Skyview Terrace to allow a 3ft separation to groundwater instead of the required 4ft. Seconded by Ken Lefebvre. All in favor.

Health Director Report continued

Ann has two clean reports on the Jennings Rd tank from the water department. Karen, Water Department liaison, attended their meeting and they are going to the DEP today. They think it is a valve problem and the water is not shifting around in the tank. When they inspected the tank there was no other obvious reason for a raised E.coli level in the sampling. The tank was removed from service and it did not affect the drinking water. The water department can not reconnect the tank until they have DEP approval. Rich suggested the water department update the notice to the public on an ongoing basis.

Hurricane Irene – Ann met with Paul LeBeau, Chief Mike Cassidy, Tom Smith, to discuss the after action report written by Chief Cassidy. His report stated that most items were performed with some challenges but adequately. Tom Smith said he had very little communication from NStar which made clean-up more difficult.

Hydro-geologic study has made progress. Ann heard from Bruce Jacobs last Thursday and samples were taken. Rich Westcott is waiting for the report.

Town Meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 24th. The warrant closes on September 19th. The Board has nothing to submit to the warrant.

MAHB Training is in November and Ann needs to know who is going to attend which session.

The Board was assigned new liaisons from the Finance Committee, Michelle Zeamer and Kathleen White.

Noise complaint at NE Emulsions – Ann has been working with the Police Chief, Paul LeBeau, Karen Sherman, and Peter Tartakoff regarding this complaint from a resident on Noel Drive. The resident notified Karen Sherman and Peter Tartakoff. The police went to the site at 2a.m. and 4 a.m. they were unloading dumpsters. They were told to only unload the dumpsters between 7a.m. and 9 a.m. This change has been made.

Rich stated that he went to the site and a truck being filled was not under the cover and the charcoal filter canister; although there was no odor from the loading.

Police Chief John Moore is checking on an old civil action suit that may address hours of usage. There is a distinction between working the product and loading trucks and the many other tasks they perform. Noise testing requires equipment that the DEP loans to towns. The standard is a noise level not to exceed 10 decibels above ambient noise of the area. There is also a new business in the permitting process at 201 Lowland Street with a potential for noise from trucks. Both of these businesses are seasonal running from April through October.

Sharps Return Program – Ann met with Tricia Paul, intern for the proposed sharps program, on September 7th. The program will serve four towns: Holliston, Hopkinton, Millis and Ashland. There is no funding and we are unsure of the population to be served but the State has mandated that towns have a sharps program in place by July 2012.

Mosquito Control (CMMCP) has extended their process until perhaps September 20th since Medway has had a positive test for West Nile Virus.

Ann gave Ken the fall 2011 MCHCF grant program. There is nothing in the current program that fits our needs.

BFI – A Release Abatement Measure Plan was sent to the DEP by Brown & Caldwell on behalf of BFI for the clean-up at 115 Washington Street. Ann will have a copy to review shortly.

Flu Clinic – A meeting was held on September 13th with the HERC Flu subcommittee. It was decided that the nurses would be strictly volunteer; no stipends will be paid. The upcoming clinic is being held at the Senior Center and will be serving primarily the senior population with purchased vaccine. If there is sufficient vaccine, we will open the clinic up to first responders. Lina will continue to send us updates on the numbers signed up.

The vaccine received from the State can only serve children based on the guidelines set by the State. The State has made significant philosophical changes in the target groups to be vaccinated.

Ann McCobb is out of the office October 3rd – 7th. The Board cancelled the October 6th meeting.

Board of Health Comment

Rich Maccagnano motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Ken Lefebvre seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Lisa Deering, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 10-20-11