

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2014

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

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Karen and seconded by Rich to approve the 4/3/14 & 4/9/14 minutes. All in favor.

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

Century Health Systems	\$120.00
Mayer, Antonellis, Jachowicz & Haranas, LLP	\$72.50
Gate House Media, Food Code Public Hearing	\$24.48

Health Director's Report

Town Meeting Warrant was handed out. The Town Meeting is May 5th. The Board will post a meeting prior to Town Meeting at 7:15 in the High School Library. The [Holliston Housing Trust] is looking for money to build on lots 1 & 2 Chamberlain Street. At this point Paul Saulnier has not been able to do the soil test percs due to wet conditions. The Board cannot say if the lots are buildable since we don't have complete design analysis.

The adjustment to the Principal Clerk grade was made by the Finance Committee and they will put the required money in the BOH budget to cover the increase.

Housing Complaint at 147 Turner Road, Crestview: Owner called up to complain about mold and requested Ann to come for an inspection. The owner purchased the condo in 2002, and vacated in 2012. She claims various floods caused the mold and now she can't rent it. Since it is not occupied, and no one's health is at risk, there is no violation of housing law regulations. It is the owner's responsibility to correct the problem. This is a civil matter between the owner and the condo association.

25 Birch Road is a tear down; they are replacing a 3 bedroom, 8 room house with the same, but as a 2 story. It passed Title 5 in June 2013, but the septic leach field wasn't identified. The inspector used a 25' tape down the leach trench and found no resistance. DEP requires a "reasonable attempt," and a longer tape would have been nice. Ann will approve the plan but require a 3 bedroom deed restriction. She will also note on the Building Modification Form A that a Title 5 inspection should occur after normal water use has resumed.

Tenant Complaint at 41 Pleasant Street, Unit #4. Len Izzo will handle the complaint.

Beneficial Use Determination by the DEP for the Highway Department to use the street sweepings:
Kleinfelder gave a quote of \$16,000 for them to make an application to the DEP for Highway

to be able to use the street sweeping. The quote has been forwarded to Paul Lebeau and Selectman Jay Leary. It is called Amendment #1, piggybacked on the other contract rather than a second contract. The high cost is surprising since the sampling of the street sweepings should be able to be done with the other testing at a cost savings. And would there be annual testing requirements? Ann will get Paul Lebeau's response before the meeting.

Christian's Law training was on April 15 and Ann attended. The hearing was on April 16th. Ann will get the Board copies when they are available. The presenter said the local boards would need to inspect to be sure the requirements were enforced. But there is no licensing for authority.

Covanta had a DEP infraction on March 7th where a clean piece of gypsum board was on the tipping floor. Covanta must: 1) pick out the visible piece, 2) train their people to pick out waste in the future, and 3) write a letter to DEP telling them that they completed these steps.

Also Covanta had 2 radiation incidents on April 23rd: I-191 and Tec 99. Both incidents were handled properly.

1562 Washington Street - Change of Use occurred when Dorothy Turcotte expanded her dog training business in to the adjacent space at 1562 Washington Street. Animal Inspector, Don Kramer looked at the facility and saw that the waste was handled properly. The training sessions are usually one dog, with a maximum of 4 dogs. There is no increase in waste water use, so the Change of Use was approved.

Barn Inspections: Cheryl Rudolph will do the barn inspections at Lil' Folks Farm and Don Kramer's barn since Don can't inspect those sites due to conflict of interest.

May 1, 2014 Board of Health meeting changed to start at 7:30 PM due to work conflict for Karen.

520 Concord Street – Septic System Variance Hearing

Eric recused himself since he is working with the architect who is related to the owner of 520 Concord Street. Paul Saulnier, P.E., Civilized Solutions, presented the upgrade plan requesting a local upgrade approval of reducing the separation of the SAS from ground water from the required 5' to 3'.

The abutters were notified of the hearing for the April 17th BOH meeting which was cancelled. Ann called the immediate abutters and notified them of this meeting. Rich asked how soon Paul planned on starting the job, and Paul thought it would be a month. The Board felt that was adequate time if an abutter wanted to come in and look at the plan.

Paul said the existing septic system had failed Title 5, but was not in a nitrogen sensitive area. He was proposing a Presby system. The proposed system complied with all the other requirements except the separation to ground water. It had an effluent filter and the cover will be raised to grade. Ann requested that the sieve analysis be done on samples taken from the in place material, and that the Alternate System be noted on the deed. Otherwise Ann felt the proposed plan was good.

Motion: Rich motioned that the separation from the bottom of the soil absorption system to ground water for 520 Concord Street be reduced from the required 5' to 3' as requested. Karen seconded, passed unanimously.

Health Director's Report, continued

Lots 1 & 2 Chamberlain Street: Ann asked Paul Saulnier when he planned to do the percs for Lots 1 & 2 Chamberlain Street, and would it be before the May 5th Town Meeting. Paul said end of May at the earliest as it is too wet, and there is shallow ledge. Brian Clancy of the Housing Trust had hired Paul to do the soil testing.

Proposed Food Regulation will be discussed at the May 1 meeting. Rich said the fire code has required timings for cleaning grease hoods: monthly for high use, and the least frequent of yearly for churches and senior centers. Our food code can reference the fire code for hood cleaning.

Len Izzo, Food Inspector, said the requirement for full time food manager with ServSafe training always on premises doesn't make sense for 90% of Holliston. Rich felt the biggest violations are food handlers cross-contaminating with food and money, especially with the high turn-over young employees. Ann will ask Len if the \$15 ServSafe food handler's online course would help this situation.

The reopening bread delivery regulation will be modified to refer to "unattended" deliveries. The other comments from the public hearing will be incorporated into the food code draft and sent to the Board.

Restaurants: Jasper Hill Café opened yesterday serving burgers, but no crepes. Basil's will be closed 3 weeks in July for their second son's wedding.

Well Repair: The Well Regulations will be modified to specify that well relocation designs must be drawn by a professional: either an engineer or a registered surveyor. This requirement aligns with the State's requirement.

E-cigarettes: D.J. Wilson from the State DPH sent the wording to Ann to modify our Tobacco Youth Access Regulation. There is an inconsistency since the sale of e-cigarettes don't require a tobacco permit. Ann will get the modified regulation to the Board.

Job Description: The Board discussed the job descriptions for the Health Agent and Health Director positions. The Board liked the bullet format of the Sharon Health Administrator job description. They liked the Holliston Health Agent job description. Several modifications were discussed and will be incorporated into draft job descriptions for the Board to review. Ann mentioned that there are Town Personnel Bylaws that must be observed.

Board Member Comment

None

Karen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Eric seconded, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:
Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 5-1-14