

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2012

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Karen McManamon, Eric Dickinson and Ann McCobb. 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 Karen McManamon to approve the 11/15/12 Regular Session minutes. All in favor.

Motion: A motion was made by Karen McManamon and seconded by Eric Dickinson to approve the 11/15/12 Executive Session minutes. All in favor.

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

Postage Reimbursement	\$6.05
MHOA Membership	\$60.00
R. S. Licensure Renewal – reimbursement Ann McCobb	\$66.00

Health Director's Report

Flu Activity: As of Monday, 12/3/12, the CDC reported increased flu activity. The state is pushing immunizations. Ann McCobb will keep the Board abreast of the situation in case we need to do more. At the 11/17/12 clinic 157 people were immunized and all went smoothly. On 11/27/12 Kathy Shore immunized 11 more people at a mini-clinic.

Motion: A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Eric Dickinson to provide a stipend to the nurses for \$50 on a per clinic basis. All in favor.

The **Annual Town Report** is due 1/25/12.

106 Lowland Street – Lista: An odor complaint was received this week about Lista. It has approximately one year since we have received any complaints about them. Ann McCobb investigated and could smell a paint/chemical odor. Aaron Tessitore said they were doing nothing that day, that the system was down for maintenance and 2 units were being cleaned. There could still be evaporation which could spread odors. It was 45° with heavy cloud cover.

86 Washington Street: The Board received a Zoning notice, request for variance for 2 remaining units. The building is a multi-tenant, mostly automotive repair. Both requests are for automotive repair. Paul Saulnier is working with the owner and doing a summary of the wastewater flows and capacity of the system.

7:15 Hearing - Dunkin' Donuts, 441 Washington Street

Bert Corey and Dean Schofield, of Schofield Brothers of New England, joined the meeting.

Rich Maccagnano asked why the Conservation Commission (ConCom) received a letter from Michael Healy, dated 11/13/12, stating that the system is in compliance. He continued "Are we in compliance?"

Dean Schofield said that they haven't said that. Rich Maccagnano questioned that if the grease trap is not pumped every two weeks then the system is not in compliance. A discussion ensued regarding Dunkin' Donuts attempts to get flows down, pulling the source of the problem out via pumping. Dean suggested proposing an increase in the length of time between pumpings until they begin to exceed limits allowed. As long as the discharge to the ground is within limits the field can handle, if the business chooses to continue pumping they should be allowed. Rich is concerned that this is a costly solution and perhaps a new system is a better solution.

Rich would like to devise a plan to ensure pumping and testing continues. Dean suggested keeping Schofield Brothers in the loop with continued quarterly testing and monthly monitoring.

Ann McCobb is concerned that the property owner knows that maintaining a system in this manner is not typical. The conditions on the system might make it undesirable for a future tenant.

The soil absorption system is not the concern due to its capacity but a maintenance plan is required that includes frequent pumping.

Eric Dickinson was concerned that any new or prospective tenant would be made aware of the system limitations and would have to abide by any permit requirements.

It was agreed upon that the property must be managed properly going forward. A new servicer must be hired; Schofield Brother should continue monitoring the testing and reporting. Dunkin' Donuts must understand the requirements are part of doing business in this location. A comprehensive list of parties involved should be attached to the permit so there is no breakdown in the process and a new permit should be issued.

Sharps Program: All the receptacles are in place. We are having difficulty getting a contract in place from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It is in process.

Medical Marijuana: Ann McCobb checked with Karen Sherman. Karen told her the Planners are waiting to see what the State puts out for regulations because the State is obligated to put something together.

Ongoing Septic Systems: Ann McCobb is having a hard time with some Fafard and Toll Brother lots on Mohawk Path that are affected by the Water Department easement. The builders did not have the plan of the easement. Ron Sharpin, Water Department, offered to meet with engineer Mike Dean. He will provide the engineer with the legal easement so it can be used in the design.

Lot 59 Mohawk Path – the original testing was witnessed by Michael Graf. Ann McCobb saw the excavation and the design was based on sand. The sand was removed and Mike Dean put in writing that the excavation was fine when it was not. He needs to do the inspection himself. The site needs new test holes because the soil testing is no longer accurate, they must account for the material that was removed and refilled.

Motion: Rich Maccagnano motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15p.m. Seconded by Karen McManamon, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Lisa Deering, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 12-20-12