

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2014

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Eric Dickinson and Scott Moles. 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 September 18, 2014 minutes. All in favor.

Nomination of Inspector of Animals

Scott Moles told the Board he has spoken to Brian Kramer about the position of Animal Inspector but Brian has not gotten back to him at this time. Scott will take over the position vacated by Ann McCobb's retirement.

Motion: A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Eric Dickinson to appoint Scott Moles as Inspector of Animals. All in favor.

Burial Agent

Motion: A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Eric Dickinson to appoint Scott Moles as Burial Agent. All in favor.

Chamberlain Street, Lots 1 & 2 Fee Waiver Request

Brian Clancy, Chairman of the Holliston Housing Trust, joined the meeting. Brian explained that he was seeking a waiver of the engineering related fees for two septic systems designed by Paul Saulnier located at Chamberlain Street, Lots 1 & 2, near Chamberlain Pines Tennis Club. The septic plans are of a simple design; 3 bedroom, gravity system with no pumps. The plan of the Housing Trust is to set up a RFP for the disposition of land for a Habitat for Humanity respondent. They would like to offer the land with an approved septic plan. The land is currently owned by the town and the bid will be offered to a non-profit entity. The homes will be owned by a qualified buyer following the Habitat for Humanity model.

Rich Maccagnano said his only hesitation is that the end result does not remain property of the town. Brian explained that the property would have a deed restriction for affordability requirements and that it counts toward the towns' 40B limit. Brian listed other projects in town the Housing Trust ran including a Burnap condominium, a Regency unit and a single family home. He explained that the point is that the project fit within the fabric of the community. The town will receive tax revenue from the homeowners. A preference in the selection process will go to people with Holliston ties; possibly residents or town employees.

Motion: A motion was made by Eric Dickinson and seconded by Rich Maccagnano to waive any and all fees for plan review of Chamberlain Street Lot 1 (7-7-366.2). All in favor.

Motion: A motion was made by Eric Dickinson and seconded by Rich Maccagnano to waive any and all fees for plan review of Chamberlain Street Lot 2 (7-7-366.2). All in favor.

Flu Vaccine Supply Discussion

Health Director Scott Moles updated the Board on the flu vaccine supply for the upcoming clinics. Our order of 400 private purchase doses has been received. An additional 100 doses is on reserve and available for purchase. Both Rich Maccagnano and Eric Dickinson stated that we should purchase the additional 100 doses.

We have 30 doses of intranasal Flumist from the State. More Flumist would be better and we will try to acquire additional doses by trading with another town or purchasing from the State.

Rich Maccagnano asked about the recent Enterovirus and Ebola virus status. Scott Moles told the Board about recent communications received from the State and the CDC. On their recommendation, Scott agrees that the best practice at this time is to continue reminding the public to wash hands and treat this as you would flu prevention.

Health Director's Report

25 Birch Road: A new passing title 5 inspection report was received. The pipes crushed during construction of the new house have been fully repaired, as was Ann McCobb's concern.

Jennings Road: Scott Moles is working with Fire Chief Cassidy and the school department regarding a possible housing issue. An official complaint has not yet been filed. Scott will keep the Board updated.

Flu clinic: The first public clinic is scheduled for Saturday, October 18, 2014. Rich Maccagnano would like to be able to give the nurses serving a stipend or payment of some type. We will look into the possibilities.

Emergency Preparedness: Scott Moles attended a presentation hosted by Stow MRC regarding extreme weather, sheltering at home and winter preparedness. He is scheduled to have a meet and greet at Cole Court and give a talk to the residents regarding this topic on October 21st.

73 Lakeshore Drive: We received a septic complaint and Health Agent Scott Moles observed a system failure at this location. Scott sent a letter to the owner requiring immediate pumping and to proceed with a correction order.

49 Church Street: Rich Maccagnano inquired about the status of the septic project at 49 Church Street. The system is in failure and has been for a long time. The Board was told the property is owner occupied yet Rich saw a "for rent" sign outside. The installer has moved an excavator to the site and told Health Agent Scott Moles that the project will begin soon. Rich would like Scott to inquire about occupancy the project status. If needed the Board would like to hear from the owner about these new delays and why it is not being worked on.

Landfill Issue: Rich Maccagnano spoke with Compliance Officer Brian Moran regarding a new DEP regulation concerning drywall. All new drywall being dumped must be cut into 1 foot squares for recycling purposes. Rich is concerned this will be a problem for Covanta and he would like to work with them to avoid potential violations. Brian told Rich that they are already working on it and he will keep the Board informed. Scott Moles will find out current procedures with Sean Reese, the new DPW Director.

Food Issues: Health Agent Scott Moles met with Food Inspector Len Izzo to discuss recent food related topics. Celebrate Holliston food vendors must be required to apply for a permit at least one week in advance for next year's event. We had at least 3 vendors apply just days before the event. The proposed food code regulations were discussed. Len and Scott developed a timeline that notifies existing vendors with the annual permit renewal, allows for discussion during January and February and an implementation hearing in March and April.

One Celebrate Holliston vendor served smoothies using yogurt after agreeing to only use fruit based mix. Rich would like Scott to send the party a violation letter, no fine, stating that any future food permits are subject to on-site inspection prior to operation. All Celebrate Holliston permits shall be submitted to the Health Department one week prior to the event or no permit shall be issued.

55 Whitney Street, Amusement Bark: An application for a doggie day care has been received by the Planning Board. The application process includes review by Conservation, Planning, Building, Zoning and board of Health. No application has been received by the Board of Health at this time. Rich Maccagnano would like the applicant to come to the Board once they apply.

Food Code Regulations: The Board began a discussion of the regulations. Both Eric Dickinson and Rich Maccagnano said a main concern is food delivery, covered in section 9.

Section 10.02 - dumpster on concrete pad should only concern new dumpster sites.

Section 11 – Square grease containers “or a Board of Health approved secondary containment” system is a concern.

Section 8 – Servsafe requirements. Rich Maccagnano is concerned that with young fast food type employees there tend to be multiple violations. Scott suggested the Board offer and “in-house” Servsafe class. He will look into the possibility.

The food code regulations will be discussed further at future meetings.

Board Member Comment

None

Rich Maccagnano motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm. Eric Dickinson seconded, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Lisa Deering, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 10-16-14