

# Board of Health Meeting Minutes

## October 16, 2014

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Eric Dickinson and Scott Moles.  
Rich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### Public Comment

None

### 10-12-Fairview Street – LUA

Tom Ryder, septic plan designer for 10-12 Fairview Street, explained the Local Upgrade Approvals (LUA) requested due to space constraints and flood zones. He has already been before the Conservation Commission and will go back after this BOH meeting.

It is a 2 family property that will have a plastic 40 mil barrier surrounding 3 sides of the soil absorption system. Rich asked that the plastic barrier extend 20' around past the point nearest the house. Tom is seeking a reduced setback of 10' to this cellar wall. The other property line setbacks are ok. Tom is also seeking a 2' reduction from ground water. Discussion was had on the feasibility of the septic tank and pump chamber being moved to the front yard. The Health Director was informed that when the back yard is flooded, although higher, the front yard is too.

All connections are water tight. The high vent will be located by the house or a tree. A monolithic tank was added and will be specified that it have booted sleeves. An annual check will be part of the maintenance agreement.

**Motion: Eric motioned to reduce the setback to the house to 10', and to reduce the groundwater offset to 2' as requested, at 10-12 Fairview Street. Rich seconded, and passed unanimously.**

### Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Rich and seconded by Eric to approve the 10/2/14 minutes. All in favor.**

### Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

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| Sanofi Pasteur                              | \$3,963.14 |
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| Mayer, Antonellis, Jachowicz & Haranas, LLP | \$132.00   |
| Fay, Spofford & Thorndike, LLC – Covanta    | \$1,920.00 |
| Scott Moles – Flu Clinic Supplies           | \$60.51    |
| Century Health Systems, Inc. – VNA          | \$180.00   |

### Health Director's Report

The Board reviewed the Health Director's Report dated October 16, 2014 (attached).

**49 Church Street:** Don Kramer will be starting 49 Church Street next. If he can't start it soon, the owner will need to supply a pumping plan with monitoring by a Title 5 inspector. The Board wants a letter sent to the home owner of inspection and pumping as requested and an update on the November 6<sup>th</sup> agenda.

**2111 Washington:** Scott sent a letter to 2111 Washington regarding the tarps on the roof causing a potential mold concern if not secured by winter. There is a child living in the house. The homeowner sent a letter explaining that the roof will be fixed by mid-November. The house has had a history of trash complaints that have never resulted in a public health issue. Rich wanted to be sure the homeowner didn't feel "picked on." Rich doesn't care about the house's appearance. We must tread lightly and stick to public health issues. The Director explained that the letter was written of concern and not as a demand for remediation.

**Artificial Turf** cancer concern: Rich asked Scott to find out what kind of artificial turf we have in town: fine powder or pellets. And then notify the schools, Keith Buday, and/or HYSA to be aware of the situation. If a public service announcement is necessary, then it should be coordinated with the Health Department.

**73 Lakeshore Drive** has a failed septic system; bubbling ground toward road, not lake. If don't have a septic upgrade plan soon will contact owner again.

**41 Union Street** future homeowner inquire why the property had a deed restriction. Person was informed it was because the septic system is an alternate technology, Eljen. The Health Department explained the Eljen system

**41 Pleasant Street** litigation resolution: Scott will check with Bill Mayer, town counsel, to be sure that when the final recording is done, the 3 BOH members and Ann McCobb receive copies.

**Flu Clinic:** Saturday, October 18, 2014, from 9:00 AM to noon. We have plenty of nurses and volunteers signed up. The nurses will be given a stipend for their service.

**Motion: Rich Maccagnano motion at 8:00 PM to leave public session of the purpose of entering into executive session to discuss pending litigation with the intent to return to public session. Seconded by Eric Dickinson.**

**Rich Maccagnano, Aye; Eric Dickinson, Aye.**

The Board re-entered public session at 8:35 PM.

**Ebola:** Scott handed out the MA DPH Summary of Laws and Regulations Relevant to Infectious Disease Surveillance, Reporting and Control. Scott had a conference call from 3:00 to 5:00 PM today, lead by Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) with 325 people in attendance, outlining the State's Ebola protocol and preparation. The main point was don't panic. Go to DPH website first and call the State Epidemiologist if there is a suspected case. If there is a suspected case, the State will bring in their team.

Rich wants our town to be very prepared. He wants the first responder list and all the phone numbers correct, and have the direct numbers for Ebola listed. He wants a link on our website if residents have a concern what to do. We need to check our emergency supplies, in conjunction with Fire Chief Mike Cassidy, and get more supplies to be sure we have plenty. We need to have the quarantine procedures in place. Scott said we will get this together next week after our flu clinic this Saturday.

**Enterovirus:** Scott updated the Board regarding the latest information on Enterovirus from the CDC, and the precautions to follow. It is predominantly a school-age children virus. Scott will be in touch with the School Superintendent, to be sure they have what they need.

**Weston Pond Soccer Field** didn't have porta-potties on a few Saturdays, Eric observed when his kids were playing soccer. Scott will follow-up with Kristen Hendrick, Parks & Rec.

**Food Service Regulations:** Scott is working with Len on drafting the Food Service Regulations so that it can be mailed out in December with the Permit letters.

#### **Board Member Comment**

None

**Rich Maccagnano motioned to adjourn the meeting. Eric seconded, and passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted:

Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 1-15-15