

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2013

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Karen McManamon and Ann McCobb. Eric Dickinson absent.
Rich 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 6/6/13 minutes. All in favor.

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

Norfolk Ram, Covanta Compliance Officer	\$1,260.00
Mayer, Antonellis, Jachowicz & Haranas, LLP	\$696.00
MA Association of Health Boards dues	\$150.00

Health Director's Report

Budget: The FY'13 budget looks good at this point. We are still waiting for the G&L invoices for beach testing, which usually lag. And Len Izzo has some inspection bills to submit. The drop-dead date for invoice submission is July 14th.

The Board approved the payment from the current operating budget to the Health Director for the 1% raise that she declined last year.

Vacation: Closing out FY'13, vacation time carry-over was requested and approved for the 2 clerks. Ann will be taking 2 weeks vacation at the end of July/beginning of August. The Board agreed that for that period no plans will be reviewed; Ann will diligently review the plans before and after. Inspections will keep going, and emergencies will be handled by the Board of Health Chairman, Rich.

Garbage Grinder Restrictions: Rich Westcott has returned 7 of the 9 plans he was given for review. The septic plans for Fafard and Toll Brothers do not have garbage grinders. Rich Westcott would like a deed restriction for no garbage grinder.

Rich Maccagnano would prefer a card on the house with the system locations and specifications, including "no garbage grinder allowed." The language for this card could be generated by the Board of Health. The installation certification of this card could be required of either the designer or the installer. The Board felt that this card would be more useful to the homeowner than a deed restriction. No deed restriction will be required.

Century Health Systems contract was faxed over and reviewed. The nurses are using the MAVEN system. The contract looks good as is. There is no extra money in the budget for new initiatives; just the current funding of the mandated follow-ups for communicable diseases.

Rich requested clarification of item number 3, section B, "will obtain prior approval from "town designee" and"specifying town designee as the "Health Director/Agent."

Motion: Rich made a motion to accept the Century Health Systems contract for FY'14 with the modification to item number 3, section B, changing "town designee" to "Health Director/Agent." Karen seconded. Passed, all in favor.

Beavers - 1929 Washington Street: Joe Banish got his 30 day permit with the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. His 2nd Emergency Beaver Trapping Permit has expired. A long-term plan, possibly a pond-leveling device, is being worked on with the Conservation Commission and consultant Mike Callahan.

Crestview Semi-Public Pool: Chuck Hogan reported that the pool was still not ready to open because N-Star has not done the electrical connection. The Throne Depot, who supplied the portable toilets, pulled the required septic hauler permit.

Lake Water Testing has been good. The beach opened last weekend.

Mosquito Control: The entire state has been identified as "low risk" for West Nile. Holliston is shown as low risk for EEE. Surrounding towns that had positive EEE testing last year, including Westborough and Hopkinton, were listed as "Moderate risk" for EEE.

The State issues licenses for pesticide application. There is some talk about loosening the laws to allow individuals to do some pesticide application. The Board of Health doesn't regulate pesticide application.

The July schedule for the CMMCP has doubled the spray days. These dates have been posted and sent to the media.

Town Website: The town's new website went live today. There are some rough edges to be work out. Andrea Minihan and Fire Chief Mike Cassidy are the administrators.

41 Pleasant Street: There was no update on the septic upgrade.

Sherborn/Holliston Beavers: Richard Marchand, 105 Whitney, sent a letter requesting a beaver trapping permit. This property is on the Sherborn/Holliston town line. More information is needed to determine if there is a risk in Holliston of a failing septic system. Ann will look into this further. She may need to call another BOH meeting if there is qualifying information.

Rooster complaint: Received a letter from a resident on Central Street complaining about a rooster in the neighbor's chicken coop. The noise awakens this resident before 4 o'clock in the morning.

Dioxin: Ron Sharpin sent a letter saying there is no dioxin in Well #1.

68 Pearl Street: A problem with the installation of a new septic is being resolved, but the owner stated that he expected the Board of Health to have done more for him. Ann gave the owner the phone number for the chairman of the BOH, but he hasn't called yet. If the owner chooses, he can schedule a meeting with the BOH to tell them about his concerns. He has received a settlement from the engineering firm and it is in the file.

49 Windsor Drive – There is mold damage that requires good faith effort to start clean up in 5 days and be completed in 30 days. We received a letter from the attorney of the owner requesting an extension to delay the start until July 1st. The Board felt that since it was a multi-family dwelling, that the clean up should be resolved as soon as possible for the good of all the tenants and public health.

330 Marshall Street horse manure complaint: Don Kramer has visited the horse farm and the manure is stored properly in a dumpster. If it continues to be a problem he could request a tarp cover the dumpster and that it be emptied every 2 weeks.

Board Member Comment

None

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

Respectfully submitted:

Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 7-18-13