

Becket Board of Health Meeting
Wednesday, July 15th, 2015
Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket Ma.01223

Board Members present: Gale LaBelle, Laurel Burgwardt, Howard Lerner.

Board Members absent: None

Public Present: Martin Schlanger

Meeting is opened at 10:15 am.

Ms. LaBelle opens the meeting at 10:15 stating the date and time. Ms. LaBelle advises that there are agendas on the table for anyone who wants them.

Ms. LaBelle advises that this meeting is being held in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws regarding Public Health and the Department of Environmental Protection as well as the bylaws of Town of Becket. All decisions require approval of a majority of the quorum of the Board of Health members present. Motions ending in a tie will not be acted upon until such a time as a majority can be achieved. In usual cases the Rule of Necessity may be invoked to reach a decision.

Ms. LaBelle goes on to introduce the board members present. Ms. LaBelle explains the Open Meeting Law, MGL c. 30A subsection 20, and asks if anyone in the audience is going to make an audio or video recording of this meeting, hearing none, she moves the meeting ahead.

Lastly, Ms. LaBelle advises the public present that it is the intention of the board to proceed with the posted agenda in the order in which the items are listed, and again reminds all present that agendas are available for anyone who wants one. Ms. LaBelle advises that everyone has the right to attend this meeting and observe the board as it deliberates but the public does not have the right to speak out or participate as they see fit.

Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 17th and July 1st- Minute Approval is tabled until next meeting to give Board members additional time to read and review.

Old Business- Camp Inspections- Ms. LaBelle advises that Laurel has completed all of the Camp Inspections, further advising that she will be going in for her second session Inspections soon.

New Business- Ms. LaBelle advises Board members of a letter that she received from Attorney Hunter and Graziano, referencing a property on 161 Captain Whitney Road. Ms. LaBelle explains that there is a pending issue concerning a septic system that may not have been put in properly. Ms. LaBelle also states that she has notified Mr. Scott Kryznik and is waiting for him to come back from vacation. Mr. Lerner advises that in Scott's absence, Ms. LaBelle should notify BRPC as well as Town Counsel. Mr. Lerner makes a motion to defer letter to Town Counsel, also to advise the seller that they need to put in a new septic system. Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion, motion passes unanimously.

Update- 422 Bonney Rigg Hill Road – Ms. LaBelle advises that the original plan was submitted by Peter Franz and that when Peter realized that the plan was off by a couple of inches, he fixed the area and has now submitted a new plan. Gale also advises that Scott Kryznik looked at the original plan that also showed a ground water variance from 4 feet to 3.5 feet and was just waiting for the new plan to be submitted. Mr. Martin Schlanger asks when he can expect an approval, Ms. LaBelle explains the process to him. Mr. Lerner makes a motion to approve the system, as designed, once it is signed off by the Health Agent. Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion; Unanimous Approval. Mr. Lerner suggests that Ms. LaBelle should consider giving it to a different health agent as to not hold up the approval.

Old Business- Mr. Ronzio states that he has found another uncapped well in Sherwood Forest, further explaining to Ms. LaBelle what needs to happen. Mr. Ronzio states that the well needs to be grouted out rather than just capped.

Mr. Ronzio asks if it is the protocol of the Board of Health to make sure that the Title V Inspector is always accompanied by a Board of Health member. Ms. LaBelle advises that yes, a Board of Health member should be present. Mr. Ronzio asks if a BOH member is not present, would the inspection be considered valid? Ms. LaBelle advises that she does not think that the inspection would be considered valid. Mr. Lerner makes a motion that the secretary send out a letter to all Title V Inspectors, clearly stating that they need to have a Board of Health member present at all Title V Inspections. Board members discuss. Ms. LaBelle reads aloud from the BOH Manual, stating that it is not stated anywhere, that a Board of Health member must be present. Mr. Lerner withdraws his motion.

11:00 AM- Laurel enters the meeting and Mr. Lerner brings her up to date on the topic they are speaking on. Ms. Burgwardt advises that it is up to the individual town, and that each town does it their own way.

Board to read and review plans:

1. Will Scarlet Drive-fail
2. 33 Lady Lucille Drive-fail
3. 337 Prince John Drive-fail
4. 436 Sherwood Drive-pass
5. 178 Huckleberry Lane-fail

Board members briefly discuss the contracting with a Health Agent, Board members defer this to the Town Administrator.

Public Input- The question of what are the setbacks for a 9000 gallon tank are briefly discussed. Ms. LaBelle advises that she will do the research and report back to the Board.

Mr. Lerner makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Burgwardt seconds the motion, Unanimous Approval.

11:17 AM meeting is adjourned.

Schedule next meeting for July 15th, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Hunt

Gale LaBelle

Date

Laurel Burgwardt	Date
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Howard Lerner	Date
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