

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Meeting Held at the Houghton Building on **December 10, 2013** at 6:30 PM

Members Present: Christopher Slade, Chair, Christopher Rogers, Member and Scott Powell, Clerk

Also Present: Bill Brookings, Health Agent, Nashoba Associated Boards of Health and
Michelle Carlisle, Health and Permitting Assistant

Call to order: 6:33pm

Minutes reviewed for November 26, 2013:

- **C. Rogers moved to approve the minutes of 11/26/13, C. Slade 2nd. All in favor 2/0.**

Scott Powell arrived at 6:45pm.

Mail Reviewed:

- Board discussed the response from Mr. Gately of Heritage Properties regarding the Presby venting issue at Sunset Ridge.
 - o Letter provided a proposal from the engineer which the Board reviewed.
 - o B. Brookings stated that a sketch should be provided.
 - o Board approves the work with the condition that B. Brookings receives the information he's requesting.
 - o **M. Carlisle to send letter.**

Action/Discussion:

- Set future meeting dates.
 - o Meetings set for every 2nd and 4th Tuesday from January – June 2014 at **6:00pm**.
- 87 East End Road – Housing Code Violation.
 - o Mr. Turner, property owner, submitted a letter requesting an extension.
 - o Board discussed and approved the extension for 90 days with the condition that the house is not occupied and that a timeline and action plan be provided to the Board.
 - o **M. Carlisle to send letter.**
- 434 S. Bolton Road – Housing Code Violation.
 - o B. Brookings reported that the property owner is working towards repairing the well.
- 99 Still River Road – room count.
 - o Mr. Broomfield, property owner and Jack Sargent appeared before the Board.
 - o Board reviewed the revised plan.
 - o Requesting variance to the 150 foot offset from the existing well (suction point) to leach trench.
 - o Requesting variance to the 150 foot offset from the proposed new drilled well to leach trench.
 - o Requesting variance to the 35 foot offset from street pavement to leach trench.
 - o **S. Powell moved to accept the variance requests as listed above, C. Rogers 2nd. All in favor 3/0.**
 - o **M. Carlisle to send letter.**
- Nashoba Winery – proposed bottling line addition for brewery and proposed food preparation in winery building.
 - o B. Brookings stated that if DEP approves the addition to the bottling line, then the Board would have no issues.
 - o Additional food preparation would add to the existing flow. B. Brookings stated that he just became aware that the bathrooms are connected to a holding tank which is a violation of Title 5.
 - o Requires DEP approval for the holding tank.
 - o Property owner will contact DEP.

Building Permits Reviewed:

- 378 Still River Road – ground mount solar panels. B. Brookings signed 11/22/13.

- 73 Woobly Road – remodel existing finished basement. B. Brookings signed 11/22/13.
- 164 Bare Hill Road - shed. B. Brookings signed 12/10/13.

Septic Permits Reviewed:

- 579 Main Street – septic connection permit.
 - **Move to next agenda.**
- 113 Still River Road – upgrade permit.
 - System wouldn't pass a Title 5 so the property owner is upgrading the system.
 - Variance needed to Septic regulation 4: Distances.
 - Proposed building sewer is less than 50 feet to an existing well.
 - **C. Rogers moved to accept the Variance request as listed above and approve the permit, S. Powell 2nd. All in favor 3/0.**
- 59 Sampson Road – septic tank and distribution box permit.
 - **Move to next agenda.**
- 283 Long Hill Road Lot 2 – new permit.
 - Variance free.
 - Board approved.
- Lot on corner of Warner and Harvard – new septic permit.
 - Variance free.
 - Board approved.
- 99 Still River Road – upgrade permit.
 - Board approved based on above variance approval.
- 57 Berlin Road - upgrade permit.
 - Requires a variance to an abutter's well. Local regulation requires 150 feet from a leaching facility to an abutter's well. Asking for 115 feet.
 - B. Brookings to contact the Engineer and obtain a letter of approval from the effected abutter.

Inspections reviewed:

- 41 Wheeler Road – Title 5.
 - Report is suggesting that the vegetation over the leaching facility be removed.
 - **M. Carlisle to send letter.**
- 354 Sugar Road – Title 5.
 - Board approved but Inspector still owes NABH the \$25 fee.
- 525 Wattaquodock Hill Road – Title 5.
 - Board approved, but it requires a distribution box.
- 104 Quaker Lane – Title 5.
 - Board approved but report recommends that a tree near the distribution box be removed.
 - **M. Carlisle to send letter.**
- 305 Long Hill Road – Title 5.
 - Requires revised installer's sketch.
 - **M. Carlisle to send letter.**

7:00 – 7:15pm Joan Hamlett, Leominster Tobacco Alliance regarding Workplace Smoking Regulations.

- Joan Hamlett and DJ Wilson appeared before the Board to discuss the Workplace Smoking Regulations, update to the Sale of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products Regulation and a Medical Marijuana By-Law.
- **Add to next agenda.**

C. Rogers moved to adjourn the Board of Health meeting at 8:15pm, S. Powell 2nd. All in favor 3/0.