February 8, 2010

A regular meeting of the Board of Health was held at the Town Hall on Monday, February 8, 2010. The meeting was duly posted. Board members present were: Peter DeTerra, Dolores Caton and Jeannine Lopes. Also present: Patricia Fowle, Health Agent.

Mr. DeTerra, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. He requested the minutes of the meeting of January 19, 2010 be amended or approved.

Motion to approve the minutes of January 19, 2010 was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Ms. Caton. Vote was unanimous.

Mr. DeTerra requested the minutes of the executive session of January 19, 2010 be amended or approved. Motion to approve the minutes of the executive session of January 19, 2010 was made by Ms. Caton; seconded by Ms. Lopes. Vote was unanimous.

Ms. Margaret Ryan, owner of 9 Forestview Drive entered the meeting. Ms. Ryan explained that she had an 18' above ground pool placed on her property in the summer of 2009. She thought the pool company had taken out the necessary permits and the pool company thought Ms. Ryan had. The Board of Health office was made aware of the pool through the Building Department. Upon notice, Ms. Ryan filed a pool application with the Board office on June 15, 2009 and an inspection was performed by the health agent. The site plan with the application did not clearly demark the property line and Ms. Fowle could not determine the property line on site because the property has many angles. Additional information was required and a thorough search of Town Hall records was completed. No further action was taken by either Ms. Ryan or the health agent and over time the application became inactive. The owner of 7 Forestview Drive contacted the Board of Health office and Building Department with complaints of the location of the pool in January 2010. A notice was sent to 9 Forestview Drive and Housing Court proceedings were initiated on January 25, 2010. Ms. Ryan objected to the manner in which the situation was handled. The Board reviewed the process taken and reviewed the site plan submitted in June 2009. The Board requested one additional measurement be taken from the existing rear deck to the westerly edge of the foundation. This information coupled with the foundation as-built plan should allow Ms. Fowle to ascertain the location of the pool when combined with the measurements on the pool site plan. Ms. Ryan stated she would supply the requested information. Should the pool location be ascertained to comply with the Board regulations, the pool permit may be issued and the court process can be dismissed. The Board required that in the future all court action taken by the health agent be reported to the Board prior to the health agent issuing the complaint.

H1N1 immunization requests are very slow now but immunizations will still be offered at the Town Hall every Tuesday from 2:00 to 3:00 PM in cooperation with the Community Nurses. When reporting weekly vaccine usage, the State is requiring information on how much vaccine remains so that the State can redistribute vaccine to other communities if there is a need.

Brown & Caldwell Company, the landfill engineers, will be placing two new gas probes on the east side of the landfill on February 23, 2010 on property abutting the landfill that is owned by the Teixeira's and the Staffon's. Permission to do so has been secured from both owners.

There being no other business before the Board, motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Ms. Caton. Vote was unanimous.

Patricia Fowle, Health Agent