

**Halifax Board of Health**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, October 05, 2011**

On Wednesday, a meeting of the Halifax Board of Health was held in the Board of Health office at 7:00 p.m.

**Present at the meeting were:**

John DeLano – Chairman  
John Weber – Co-Chairman  
Cathleen Drinan – Health Agent

The Alternative Sewerage Committee meeting opened at 7:04p.m.

**1. 7:00pm – 7:15pm Alternative Sewerage Committee:** - In attendance are Suzanne Lillie, Jack Farina and Jack O'Brien

**a.** Conversation about Ruck systems

**i.** Suzanne Lillie spoke to Michael McGrath a vendor for the Ruck system.

**1.** She shared reports with data for residential and community systems for 2007, 2008 & 2009

**2.** A key points:

**a.** All have been encouraged how plumbing are to fixtures reduce raw waste water

**b.** Understanding that the cycle time of the conversion of ground water is two (2) years before you will see improvements.

**ii.** Water test results Monponsett Ponds - Nitrogen and Phosphorus levels

**iii.** Impact of low flow plumbing on Influent

**iv.** Cycle time for conversion of ground water

**1.** BOH Chairman updated the ASC Board on his discussion with Mark Matson from DEP on the pond water levels and TMDL's

**a.** There is a deadline for States and towns to monitor their discharge water and come up with results, they are not meeting TMDL's and will need to reduce it.

**i.** Talk of quality will be important and quality perimeters are being set (Water shed alliance)

**ii.** Identify amount of repaired systems 50' to 400'

**iii.** How many since 1995?

**iv.** Where is it most needed?

**v.** What kind of treatment is being looked at?

**vi.** Input & output goals for vendors to create specs

**1.** 10,000 gallons per day

**vii.** Research on towns that have community systems

**viii.** Where discharge will have an effect

A Motion was made for the ASC to adjourn the meeting at 7:34p.m.

**Motion:** Suzanne Lillie

**Second:** John DeLano

**Unanimous vote on the motion**