

BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 14, 2007

The Board of Health held a meeting on Tuesday, August 14, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Members present were Tom Philippou, Lorin Johnson, and Sean Doocey. Others present were Shanna Large (Clerk), Judith Graves (Ross Associates), Kathy Farrell and Attorney Douglas Deschenes (119 Tahanto Trail), Deborah Skauen-Hinchliffe (221 Still River Road), Richard Breyen (Harvard Hillside), and Kathy Bunnell (Harvard Post).

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Business was as follows:

Farrell, 119 Tahanto Trail – Deed Restriction Discussion

Attorney Douglas Deschenes and property owner Kathy Farrell came before the Board to discuss a possible three bedroom Deed Restriction for the above property. The owners would like to replace the existing garage with a proposed two-car garage with a connection to the house and use the space over the new garage as an office. The current Subsurface Disposal System is for three bedrooms with a possible installation date of over 45 years; however, the original septic plans have not been located. Kathy and Board member, Lorin Johnson, discussed contacting the previous owner of the property to locate the original septic plans. At this time, some of the Board members did not feel comfortable granting a deed restriction for the above property until the septic plans were located. The Owner, Attorney, and Board will look into finding the original septic plans and will discuss the possible deed restriction at a later meeting.

Murphy, 232 Ayer Road – Variance Discussion

Judith Graves, engineer for the above property, came before the Board to discuss the replacement of a failed Subsurface Disposal System (SDS). The proposed system is a Presby Enviro-Septic System. After a brief discussion, Tom made a motion to accept the plans L-10520, revision date of 6/20/07, with variances stated in letter dated August 8, 2007. Sean Doocey seconded. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

Gould, 194 East Bare Hill Road – Deed Restriction Release

The Board reviewed the request for a deed restriction release for the above property. The Board decided to table their decision until they received more information regarding the release request from the owner of the property.

Wickman, 27 Willow Road – Deed Restriction Discussion

The Board reviewed the request for the board's signature on the arsenic deed restriction for the above property. After a brief review of the request, Lorin Johnson made a motion to have the arsenic deed restriction reviewed by Town Counsel. Sean Doocey seconded. The vote was 2-1 to approve.

West, 306 Still River Road – Update

The BOH Clerk updated the Board regarding the above property. A letter was sent to Mr. West regarding a business being run out of his home. He called the office and said that he was indeed running his Oil business out of the home and had one employee working in the existing office space. He also stated in the conversation that he was not storing trucks at the property. After a brief discussion the Board decided to ask the Building/Zoning Enforcement Officer if this was an allowed use for the above property.

Pesticide Spraying on School Fields – Discussion

The Board discussed pesticide spraying on the school playing fields off of Pond Road, the soccer/baseball field at the Elementary School, and the soccer/field hockey field in front of the new library. The Board decided to send a letter to the DPW asking what was sprayed, who was licensed to spray, were the proper procedures followed, and ask for notification to the Board prior to spraying.

Permits Signed:

Russell, 255 Bolton Road – existing four-bedroom single-family dwelling. Installation of 1500 gallon septic tank and 1000 gallon pump chamber

Wood, 70 South Shaker Road – upgrade for an existing two bedrooms single-family dwelling. Installation of 1500 gallon septic tank, 1000 gallon pump chamber, and trenches.

Minutes:

Lorin Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of 07/10/07 as amended. Tom Philippou seconded. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

Sean Doocey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Tom Philippou seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanna Large, Clerk