

**BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**September 25, 2007**

The Board of Health held a meeting on Tuesday, September 25, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hildreth House. Members present were Tom Philippou, Lorin Johnson, and Sean Doocey. Others present were Shanna Large (Clerk), Ira Grossman, R.S. (NABH), Gary Shepherd (David E. Ross, Associates), Derek Brown (Cleaves Hill Road), Maggie & Jon Green (31 Poor Farm Road), M. E. Jones (Harvard Hillside), and Kathy Bunnell (Harvard Post).

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

**Brown, Cleaves Hill Road - Discussion**

Gary Shepard, engineer, came before the Board to discuss the possible variances for the above property. The Board reviewed the plans for the proposed Subsurface Disposal System (SDS). Gary informed the Board that the property is a very difficult piece and the owners do not want to begin the building process if the Board would not be willing to accept variances for the Harvard Regulations. The SDS that is being designed is for a three or four modest size home with the idea that if a four bedroom SDS could fit they would go for the higher room count for a better resale value. After discussing the two variances requested; 10 feet between reserve and primary SDS instead of the required 25 feet and the 25 feet ledge offset, the Board agreed that they would be willing to discuss these variances in the future with the understanding from the engineer to design the system to minimize the degree of the variances.

**Green, 31 Poor Farm Road – Deed Restriction Discussion**

The homeowners came before the board to discuss possible renovations on their property and request a three-bedroom deed restriction. The board reviewed the plans for the proposed renovation. After a brief discussion, Sean Doocey made a motion to grant the three-bedroom deed restriction for the above property. Lorin Johnson seconded. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

**LaRoche, 68 Prospect Hill Road – Deed Restriction Discussion** – No one appeared for this topic so no action was taken.

### **School Response to BOH Letter**

The Board reviewed the letter from the Harvard Schools Superintendent regarding the air quality testing and excessive classroom temperatures. The Board feels that education suffers when the classroom temperature is high and feels that fans should be required in each space when the temperature is excessive. A reply will be sent to the Superintendent's office asking for specific policies to be established with a copy of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health "Methods for Increasing Comfort in Non-Air-Conditioned Schools" included for the Superintendent's review.

### **Title 5 Discussion**

Ira led a Title 5 discussion with the Board regarding the change of footprint and increase in room count.

### **Permits Signed:**

**Holland, 170 Old Littleton Road** – existing four-bedroom single-family dwelling. Installation of 1500 gallon septic tank and 1500 gallon dosing chamber.

**Newcomb, 95 Oak Hill Road** – existing three-bedroom single-family dwelling. Upgrade of existing system, installation of Presby Enviro-Septic System.

**Lee, 170 Prospect Hill Road, Lot 3** – Installation of new Subsurface Disposal System for a five bedroom single family dwelling.

**Schmidt, 60 Bolton Road** – existing three-bedroom single-family dwelling. Upgrade of existing system, installation of Presby Enviro-Septic System.

Tom Philippou made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Sean Doocey seconded the motion. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanna Large, Clerk