

BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF MEETING
February 9, 2010

The Board of Health held a meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room. Members present were Tom Philippou, Lorin Johnson and Jack Spero. Also present Keith Cheveralls (Harvard School Committee), Bill Barton (328 Stow Road), and Deborah Skauen-Hinchliffe (221 Still River Road).

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Business was as follows:

Keith Cheveralls for the Harvard School Committee – K-Wing Update

Keith appeared before the Board to provide an update on the K-wing and discuss the storage tank issue. The Board reviewed the packet of information provided to them. Lorin informed the Board that he took a walk through the building today and spoke to Mark Force, facilities manager.

Keith stated that the school committee is looking into the possible replacement of the windows in the K-wing in 2014 and was wondering if the Board had any issue with the replacement. The overriding concern involves the Memorandum of Understanding and the desire to adhere to the intent of the agreement. After a brief discussion, Tom indicated that the board was satisfied that there was an appropriate sensitivity to the mold issue and as long as adequate precautions are exercised during the process and the work completed during the summer, the Board would not need to interfere with the intended project. He also asked the Board be regularly updated if and when the project is undertaken. Jack lent his expertise as a builder to explain that there would be minimal breaching of the walls during a window replacement project such as this, and Lorin confirmed the Boards opinion that it could be beneficial to the school environment.

The next issue discussed was with regards to the removal of the underground storage tanks. The Board stated that monitoring of the removal of these tanks would be the responsibility of the Fire Chief.

With regards to the mandated air quality testing, Tom discussed the possibility of reducing the testing frequency if it could be demonstrated that there were results that consistently indicated certain periods that yielded poorer air quality, as it would make more sense to test periods more likely to indicate the air quality was deteriorating, rather than testing when it was likely the results would be fine.

The Board thanked Keith for coming and providing an open channel of communications with the school committee.

Permits

Kraus, 30 Whitman Road – Installation of a new 6 bedroom Presby Enviro-Septic System for an existing 4 bedroom dwelling. Installation of 1500 gallon septic tank and Presby Enviro – Septic System.

Minutes

Tom Philippou made a motion to pass the minutes of December 8, 2009 as amended by Lorin, December 22, 2009, and January 26, 2010 as amended by Tom. Lorin Johnson seconded. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

Tom Philippou made a motion to table the minutes of October 27, 2009. Lorin Johnson seconded. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

Lorin Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 pm. Tom Philippou seconded. The vote was 3-0 to approve.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanna Large, Clerk