

**July 26, 2011  
Medway Board of Health  
155 Village Street  
Medway, MA 02053**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rob Collum, Michael Heavey, and Kathleen McCarthy

**ALSO PRESENT:** Bill Fisher, Health Agent  
Amy Sutherland, Meeting Recording Secretary

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

**Minutes:**

**On a motion made by Kathleen McCarthy and seconded by Michael Heavey the Board accepted the minutes from June 27, 2011.**

**Subdivision Plan 104 Fisher Street:**

The Board is in receipt of a subdivision plan for 104 Fisher Street. The application was submitted by Andy Rodenhiser. This is for an additional three houses. A more definitive plan will be coming at a later date. There are no wells drawn on the plan at this point. The plan has setbacks and an existing right of way.

**VNA Contract:**

The Board is in receipt of the VNA Contract. The members would like the Health Agent to find out why the contract was not provided to the Board of Health prior to the Board of Selectmen signing the contract. In previous years, the Board of Health signed the contract.

**Serve Safe:**

The health agent Fisher informed the Board that he did speak with a representative from the state regarding the serve safe testing in another language. The state agent did not know anything about testing in another language. It was suggested that the Board consider a variance.

**On a motion made by Kathleen McCarthy and seconded by Michael Heavey the Board of Health voted unanimously to allow a variance for five years for the Medway Restaurant.**

**Summer Intern for Sharps Collection Program:**

The Town will be getting an intern for 4 hours a week to conduct research and test ways to collect and dispose of sharps. It was further discussed that there are specific ways of disposing these materials. It is extremely expensive to dispose of medical wastes. This person will be starting in August.

**Regional Nurse Planning:**

Health Agent Bill Fisher introduced Shannon Sansonetti who is a public health consultant. Her goal is to meet with the Board of Health to find out what are the needs of the community. She will then create

model and plan for the shared regionalization position between Hopkinton, Ashland and Medway. This is a pilot project which will involve doing a need assessment.

The Board of Health created a list of areas to focus on:

- Lyme's Disease
- Bullying
- Substance Abuse
- Obesity
- At risk behavior
- Elder Services (fall prevention, trip hazards, dispensing of medication, classes of depression)
- Environmental Factors (West Nile, Immunization, Mavon)
- Transportation

The grant which was awarded is for a two year planning stage.

The needs of the elderly in Medway include transportation. There is just not enough transportation to get the seniors to their doctor appointments.

The Board also discussed that there is always at risk behavior involving teenagers. Those areas are the use of tobacco, drugs, and alcohol. Teenagers also need to be further educated about bullying and obesity. It was suggested that the school complete a survey to inquire about their views on at risk behaviors. The schools did have a resource officer, but the funding is no longer available.

The key to the success of this program is going to be sustainability.

The Commission was inquiring about who this person will report to along with what part does the Commission have in assisting or working with this person.

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Commission was informed that once all the data is collected from the other towns, they will be invited to a presentation night where the qualitative information will be provided to the towns.

**Community Farm Fall Fest:**

Community Farm member Gina Stafans wanted to get approval from the Board of Health to hold the First Annual Fall Fest Chilli Cook-off. The event will take place on October 16, 2011 from 1:00 -4:00 pm. All food will be cooked off site from serve safe qualified kitchens. The food will only be heated and served on site. The farm is looking to have local fire departments take part in the event. There is no running water on site. There will be a porta potty on site.

**On a motion made by Michael Heavey, and seconded by Kathleen McCarthy, the Board of Health voted unanimously to support the Community Farm Chilli Fest to be held on October 16, 2011 from 1:00 until 4:00 pm with the understanding that there will be no food cooked on site.**

**260 Village Street:**

The property located at 260 Village Street is considered abandoned. There are no residents living in this home. There was an inspection done and it was discovered that there was a pig in the freezer in the garage, but there is no electricity running to the property. The freezer has been taped up. There will be a biohazard team coming to the site to perform an evaluation. The Health agent was able to contact the bank in Texas and a representative from Rhode Island has been in contacted by Bill to discuss securing the house.

**379 Village Street:**

There was a sanitary violation given the property located at 379 Village Street. The plumbing and electrical inspectors will be visiting the property tomorrow.

**Smoking Regulations:**

The Board would like to get updated information relative to smoking regulations. It was suggested that other towns be contacted about what they have put together since the regulations have probably already been updated.

**265 Village Street:**

The Board was informed that 265 Village Street has a leak and there is mold on the second floor. There are pending orders.

**82 Winthrop Street:**

The Board reviewed the septic system repair plan for 82 Winthrop Street. There are no variances. This is an existing system. There will be a new field.

**On a motion made by Michael Heavey, and seconded by Kathleen McCarthy, the Board of Health voted unanimously to sign the plan for 82 Winthrop Street.**

**27 Causeway Street:**

The Board reviewed the septic system repair plan for 27 Causeway Street. There are no variances.

**On a motion made by Michael Heavey, and seconded by Kathleen McCarthy, the Board of Health voted unanimously to sign the plan for 27 Causeway Street.**

**30 Highland Street:**

The Board of Health reviewed the application for a septic repair. There were two variances requested. This is for a local upgrade. There is a reduction required 4 foot separate distance between the bottom of the soil absorption system and the high ground water elevation. There will also be a reduction in the separation distance between the leach system location and celler.

**On a motion made by Michael Heavey, and seconded by Kathleen McCarthy, the Board of Health voted unanimously to sign the plan for 30 Highland Street with the two variances as noted on the plan.**

*Minutes of July 25, 2011 Meeting  
Medway Board of Health  
Approved August 22, 2011*

**Adjourn:**

**On a motion made by Michael Heavey, and seconded by Kathleen McCarthy, the Board of Health voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.**

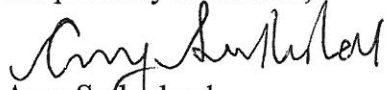
**Future Meetings:**

The next meeting scheduled is:

- Monday August 22, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amy Sutherland  
Meeting Recording Secretary