

**August 12, 2013
Medway Board of Health
26 High Street
New Conference Room
Medway Library
Medway, MA 02053**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Heavey, Jordan Warnick, and Jack Mill

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Bacon-Health Agent, Zachary Comeau-
Reporter for the Milford Daily News

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6:40 pm.

Meeting Minutes Acceptance:

June 24, 2013:

On a motion made by Mike Heavey and seconded by Jordan Warnick, the Board voted unanimously to accept the meeting from June 24, 2013.

July 22, 2013:

On a motion made by Mike Heavey and seconded by Jordan Warnick, the Board voted unanimously to accept the meeting from July 22, 2013.

5 Summerhill Rd.:

The abutter, Mr. Tyson from 3 Summer Hill Rd. is having issues with the smell from the cow which resides at 5 Summer Hill Rd.

The property is currently permitted for two cows and ten chickens. They currently have on one cow and ten chickens.

There was an issue with the wood boiler, but this was rectified.

The barn is less than 15 ft. from the abutters property line.

The Board of Health agent conducted several site visits. During the last visit, there was a pile of manure which needed to be cleaned. The Health agent wrote a report from the site inspection and provided photographs for the Board to view. A letter dated August 5, 2013 was sent to the Lobissers requesting that they attend the meeting on August 12, 2013. The Health Agent notified the resident that the manure needs to be maintain and cleaned out of the barn on a regular basis. The letter also referenced that the cow had feces on its rear end, and this needs to be cleaned and removed from the cows body.

The resident called the Health agent about the meeting, and indicated that will not be at the meeting and that the cow will be in the freezer within two weeks.

The abutter communicated that he appreciates everything the health agent has done to assist in resolving this situation, but there continues to be a strong urine smell which comes from the property . He has been patient, but this has gotten to the point where something further needs to be done. The proximity of the barn is so close to the setback. The wind is blowing southwest.

The Board of Health would like third party documentation.

The resident will have the animal control go to inspect the property again for odor.

On a motion made by Mike Heavey and seconded by Jack Mill the Board voted unanimously to require that the Lobissers to come to the Board of Health meeting on Monday, August 26, 2013 at 6:45 pm.

Recommendation:

- There have been orders to clean up the barn.
- The cow was covered with feces and needs to be cleaned.
- Write up an order and there will be weekly inspections.

Tobacco Public Hearing Plans:

The Board of Health did discuss that this decision needs to come from the community. It was suggested to have this as a ballot question.

The Health Agent will check with the town clerk on how to draft such a ballot question.

Member Warnick wanted to know what should be done with vapor delivery. The Town of Canton is voting on this rather soon. The Health Agent believes that this is within the tobacco regulations.

Future Meetings:

The next meeting scheduled is: August 26th, 2013 6:30 pm at the Medway Public Library.

Adjourn:

On a motion made by Michael Heavy, and seconded by Jordan Warnick, the Board of Health voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Meeting Recorder
Approved 8-26-13