

Town Of Medway Board of Health

October 5, 2015 Medway Board of Health 26 High Street Conference Room Medway, MA 02053

PRESENT: Mike Heavey, Jordan Warnick and Jack Mill

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Bacon-Health Agent

Amy Sutherland, Recording Secretary

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Minutes Acceptance:

September 21, 2015:

On a motion made by Jordan Warnick and seconded by Mike Heavey, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes from September 21, 2015.

Permits:

The Board of Health is in receipt of a Septic System Design Plan for #4 Lantern Lane (Lot #3 Pine Meadow II) owned by Norbert Wong. The plan was signed by McClure Engineering and dated October 2015.

On a motion made by Mike Heavey and seconded by Jack Mill, the Board of Health voted unanimously to approve the permit pending Conservation Commission approval.

Flu clinic:

The Health Agent informed the Board of Health that there was a flu clinic held on Monday October 5, 2015. It was quite successful with 87 Senior Citizens receiving vaccination. There were also over 100 staff and students who received the vaccine at the High School.

Turf Discussion Followed Up:

Resident Stewart informed the Board of Health that she did attend the last school committee meeting and there was no action by the school committee regarding signage. Ms. Stewart did follow-up with the Superintendent of Schools and he will follow-up with the athletic trainer about the policy.

The Health Agent responded that the policy and guidelines need to be adopted by the School Committee. The Parks and Recreation have jurisdiction over the fields.

On a motion made by Jack Mill and seconded by Jordan Warnick, the Board of Health voted unanimously to require that signs be put up at the synthetic turf fields as recommended by the sample discussed. The Board of Health would also like a letter sent to the School Department and Town Administrator.

The next school committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2015.

The Health Agent will follow-up with an email to the Superintendent of Schools to make sure this can be placed on the next School Committee agenda for discussion.

Exelon Discussion:

The following residents were in attendance:

Attendance:

Tracy Stewart, 21 Lovering Street Brian Adams, 2 Milford Street David Blackwell 2 Milford Street Adam Houser 14 Little Tree Road Michael Dunsky 40 Cottage Street

Adam Houser: 14 Little Tree:

Mr. Houser was present and explained that his child has health issues and is concerned about the air quality and impacts on his family. He also mentioned that the consultants reviewing the reports are not medical representatives. He would like to see the medical field provide input. Mr. Houser would also like to see this air quality monitored. The closest monitoring of air quality is in Worcester. He wants to know if the town is doing a health study in the effects.

Exelon did file its proposed expansion application with the Energy Facility Siting Board (EFSB), a State agency that has statutory authority to review and approve (or disapprove) this type of facility. It can also grant exemptions from the regulations and bylaws.

Resident, Brian Adams, 2 Milford Street:

Mr. Adams concern is that this will be running fourteen hours on average a day. This facility is right next to a day care facility. He would like to see an impact

study on seniors and children. The abutter notification was also only 300 ft. from site.

The Health Agent did review the report and the environmental numbers are being reviewed and will be presented at an open forum.

The water for this is being purchased from the Town of Millis.

The Exelon Company will need to do a feasibility study in regards to the water being acquired from Millis. The cost of this study will be paid by the applicant.

Resident, David Blackwell 2 Milford Street:

Mr. Blackwell indicated that there were two spills on the site in the 70's. This site is currently only being monitored once a year and the depth of the monitoring is only 4 inches down. The excavating of this will be near wetlands of where this previous spill was. The spill areas were noted. It is a concern that the staging of this will be staging will be near wetland and riverfront areas. The old spill number is 13438.

The Health Agent responded that the Boards and Departments have been in the process. Stephanie has provided her issues on regards to the Board of Health. The other various departments have also submitted their comments to the Board of Selectmen which have been provided to the consultants.

Resident Tracy Stewart, 21 Lovering Street:

Resident Stewart is concerned since there has been no opportunity to talk with consultants that the residents have voiced displeasure too late in the process. Resident Stewart also referenced a study which shows a 7% of decrease in abutting property values for this type of project. She also wanted to know why a town subcommittee has not been created to deal with this proposed project.

Exelon has indicated that they want this project to be up and running by first quarter of 2016.

Concerns:

- Where will the ammonia be stored on site?
- Making sure a safety plan is in place in case of a leak
- Documentation must be kept in the Board of Health Office.
- The two spills at site back in the 1970's and the monitoring of these. (0010565)
- Will there be a spill contaminant area
- The amount of new pollution from the 200 vehicles.
- Will the applicant be required to clean the site prior to construction
- Will there be metering of the water, 55,000 gallons a day.
- In regards to the air monitoring, it makes sense to put them in now to have a baseline now and then once it is installed so it would be measurable.

• There is a concern about the unloading of trucks in an hour on Summer Street and Rt. 126.

Recommendation:

- Provide all questions to Board of Selectmen for response.
- Attend the Town-Wide Public Forum on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at the Medway High School.

SAFE Coalition Opioid Abuse:

Member Warnick informed the Board of Health that there continues to be a push to increase to the numbers of beds for treatment centers. They are looking for a location between Medway, Milford and Franklin. He will provide further follow-up at next meeting.

Adjourn:

On a motion made by Jordan Warnick and seconded by Jack Mill, the Board of Health voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Future Meetings:

The next meeting scheduled is Monday, October 19, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Medway Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland Meeting Recorder