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BOARD OF HEALTH

Date: June 13, 2012

PRESENT: Armand White, James Morin, Judith O'Connor, Darlene Coyle, Derek Brindisi

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Gary Dudek, Elizabeth Aubin, Gary Gover, Jane House, Jim Healey, Francis King, Paul Lawson, Thomas Purcell, Jim Malley, Bob Spain.

Meeting called to order at 10:00 A.M. by chairman Armand White.

Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes for the June 13th 2012 meeting was made by Judy O'Connor. Seconded by Jim Morin. Vote unanimous.

Office Update: There were no office updates.

Vouchers: Vouchers were signed by those present.

Health Agent Report:

119 Riverlin St. – Darlene addressed the board stating a violation ticket should be issued due to preliminary injunction against property owner (bank owned) as nothing has been done to clean the property. Armand stated the coalition will sign the violation and do any inspections including trash containers.

Armand stated, as chair, he will notify Bill Wilkinson the coalition will now be doing the trash container complaints, which is included in the contract and they are well staffed. Judy O'Connor stated the inspections must be done within twenty four hours after complaint received. Derek stated complaints not handled in a timely manner need to be reported to him.

11 Gover Road – Order was sent to property owner (bank owned), cleaned up except for the 50 gallon drum container. Property is not secured. Darlene recommended filing the property with the Attorney General's Office. Armand agreed.

159 Millbury Ave. – Darlene inspected property, lawn needs mowing. Armand had called in the complaint, looked abandoned, requested a well being check. Julie stated the property owner is trying to get a professional to mow it. Julie also suggested Darlene call the homeowner directly at Millbury Health Care, as he would be willing to take her call. The board agreed with that approach.

Camps – Darlene stated she is working with applicants, 4 or 5 of them currently, and that is going well.

Cordins Mills – Darlene stated the Pool opened. The building inspector approved the fencing, which the state will accept his inspection. Judy O'Connor stated she checked the fencing and stated it would be impossible for a child to get under the fence without digging a very large hole. Stated the posts go into the ground. Derek stated the pool code fencing, wrought iron fencing is not allowed. He and Darlene conferred with the state statue and the building inspector is the final approving authority with a letter from him for our files.

188 Millbury Ave. – Armand spoke with owner, has until Friday P.M. to get it cleaned up, and if not, Matt can go ahead an issue violation letter.

23 West St – Armand pleased, a lot of progress continues with clean up. With permission from the board he will continue to work with the residents. All agreed.

Old Business:

Armand addressed Mr. Jim Healey from Cox Industries regarding telephone poles located along Rte.#146 in front of the Shoppes at Blackstone Valley. The board has received many odor complaints over months and the board is concerned with air pollution and possible ground water pollution.

Aquarion Water Supply also had two representatives present.

Armand asked Darlene if there were any health issues in regards to the poles. None have been reported to the board of health. Armand then addressed Mr. King from Aquarion, asking their concerns. Mr. King stated the ground water has not been tested, however, and there are two wells in throwing distance. His concern is not testing soil could show up in wells years to come. Mr. Cox stated storing poles 3 years in Millbury. Ground water testing done at all their plants. No problems.

Jane House stated odor is from a diesel fuel solvent mix.

Result of the discussion was Cox Industries will hire a 3rd party firm to do testing for air quality and soil testing at the Millbury site.

The board agreed to hold further action pending the outcome of the reports.

Other Business:

14 Sunset Drive:

Tom Purcell addressed the board seeking a local upgrade on the septic system at 14 Sunset Drive. Jim Malley stated he inspected the system and recommended approval. Jim Morin made a motion to accept the plan. Judy O'Connor seconded. Vote unanimous.

Armand stated DEP issued letter to the Board stating contaminated soil at McLaughlins (to be Dunkin Donuts). Darlene stated the owner and his attorney are aware all issues have to be resolved before any permits are issued by the Board of Health.

Evaluation of coalition: Jim Morin stated he has been on board of 22 years, remembers when the budget was \$132,000, now total budget is \$109,000, showing in the last year with the coalition, more has been accomplished. Inspections are more effective, housing complaints handled well, sees no reason to not move forward with the towns best interest. Judy O'Connor is pleased with the services. Likes having a public health nurse, the continuity. Pleased with Jim Malley, his services cost no money to the town. Her concerns are inspections, three different styles, three different inspectors. She intends to accompany inspectors from time to time. Armand White stated all inspectors do inspect differently. All the inspections are being done, and uniformity could be handled with alternating of inspectors.

Bob Spain commented that he expects all staff to go before the board to have issues resolved. Present to the chair first, however, all three members should be aware at all times. He would also like to be cc'd for informational purposes.

Armand White stated in favor of the coalition, what we are getting for our money. He addressed Cheryl Rawinski, recommending she be kept as the Public Health Nurse and Jim Malley as Title V Inspector.

With the coalition, the town of Millbury is getting more than their monies worth. Jim Morin made a motion to accept the coalition for one year. Armand White stepped down as chair, seconded the motion. Judy O'Connor abstained.

Discussion was held with the board, health inspectors and public health nurse Cheryl Rawinski, regarding the E.coli case, which is still under investigation.

Minutes approved:

Armand White 

James Morin 

Judith O'Connor 