



# Town of Northborough

## Board of Health

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Members Present: Glenn French  
Dilip Jain  
Jamie Terry, Board of Health Agent

The Board of Health met on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, in the Selectmen's Meeting Room of the Northborough Town offices. The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM by Chairman Glenn French. The minutes from the January 10, 2012 meeting were approved as read.

Mr. Charles Black of Kendall Homes appeared before the Board tonight to discuss his request for a well variance at 269 West Main Street. Mr. Black is interested in having an irrigation well installed in the center island on this property and is currently unable to maintain the required setback from the public way (Parking lot; 50' required, 15' provided). Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the proposed site. Chairman Glenn French has some concern over the 15' setback from the parking lot and would like to see Mr. Black place the irrigation well as far away from the parking lot as possible. Chairman Glenn French made a motion to grant Ms. Terry the ability to use her own discretion to approve the variance outside of a meeting once a suitable location is proposed, Dilip Jain seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Ms. Terry and the Board reviewed the current tobacco regulations. Ms. Terry and the Board discussed smoking and how it pertains to Hookah lounges, private membership associations (e.g. The American Legion), public housing, and all town owned property. Ms. Terry and the Board also discussed cigarette vending machines and Mobile truck sales. Ms. Terry informed the Board that she will write-up draft tobacco regulations for the Board of Health to review at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Before the tobacco regulations can be adopted by the Board a public hearing must be scheduled in order to gather comments from persons who have an interest in these regulations.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the possibility of amending the current local septic regulations. Ms. Terry will put something together and provide it to the Board for their review.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the current well regulations and the current acceptable nitrate levels in drinking water. Ms. Terry suggested the Board consider adopting stricter drinking water regulations relating to nitrates. The Board felt it best to remain consistent with the EPA Drinking Water Guidelines.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the recent food inspections that were performed - no outstanding issues were reported.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Jean