

## 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 Wednesday, December 12, 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 September 12, 2012 meeting were approved as amended.

Tina Grosowsky, project coordinator for the Central Massachusetts Tobacco Free Community Partnership appeared before the Board tonight to discuss the endeavor to support communities' efforts to lower smoking prevalence and exposure to second hand smoke. Ms. Grosowsky informed the Board that the newly created partnership has started an ex-smokers hall of fame and would like assistance from the Board in getting the word out to any ex-smoker working and/or residing in Northborough who would be willing to share their story. Ms. Grosowsky informed the board that the purpose of this initiative is to encourage smokers to quit and champion people who have quit. These individuals are thought to provide encouragement to smokers who are thinking about quitting, and they remind those who have quit tobacco that smoking remains the number one cause of preventable death and that there is still work to be done. Ideally the partnership is seeking 8 to 10 individuals to join the program. Ms. Terry and the Board feel as though there is no reason not to support this effort and Ms. Terry will assist Ms. Grosowsky in getting the word out via e-mail. Ms. Grosowsky can be reached via email tina.grosowsky@umassmed.edu or by phone (508) 856-5067.

Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering appeared before the Board tonight regarding 369 Hudson Street. Mark Farrell gave a brief overview of the lot as well as the variances that are being requested – offset to property line (10' required, 1' provided), offset to foundation (20' required, 10' provided), offset to septic tank (10' required, 5' provided), offset to pressure water line (10' required, 5' provided). Mark Farrell also stated that because this system was designed for an existing two (2) bedroom dwelling a two (2) bedroom deed restriction would be required prior to the issuance of the Certificate of Compliance. Ms. Terry informed the Board that the system that is being proposed is more protective than what currently exists in the ground. Chairman Glenn French made a motion to grant the variances being requested, Dilip Jain seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering also appeared before the Board tonight regarding 23 Collins Road and the variances that are being requested - Offset to wetlands (100' required, 55' provided). Mr. Farrell gave the Board a brief overview of the proposed technology (Chamber Vents) that he is proposing to use with this system. Chairman Glenn French made a motion to allow the variance request pending Conservation Commission approval, Dilip Jain seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

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Ms. Terry informed the Board that she received an e-mail from Selectman Aaron Hutchins regarding the City of Watertown changing the local tobacco regulations. Ms. Terry informed the Board that she will forward them the e-mail with the link to the article.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the latest round of restaurant inspections and no outstanding issues were reported at this time.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 6PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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