

# TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dilip Jain, Swati Sane, Tina Hill ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Bacon - Health Agent, Sarah Jean - Administrative Assistant, Millie Milton of C'est La Vie Bistro, Michael Sullivan of Connorstone Engineering, Daniel Wolfe of David E. Ross Associates, Robert Kody of Envision Homes.

The Board of Health met on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 in the Selectmen's Meeting Room of the Northborough Town Offices. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Dilip Jain.

The minutes for the month of March were not considered at this time and will be considered at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

A special welcome was extended by Ms. Bacon to the two newest members of the Board of Health - Ms. Swati Sane and Ms. Tina Hill who are both attending their first Board Meeting. Ms. Bacon noted that both individuals have medical backgrounds as Ms. Sane is currently a practicing pediatrician and Ms. Hill is currently a school nurse and both have an interest in serving on the Board of Health.

## 6:08 PM Board Discussion on 77 Maple Lane

Ms. Bacon informed the Board that she has received a tentative plan for 77 Maple Lane, existing home looking to demo and re-build. Ms. Bacon spoke with Conservation regarding this lot and reported the need to be extremely conservative with permitting and the need to be stringent with regards to the wetlands.

#### 6:15 PM Pet Friendly Restaurant Discussion

Millie Milton of C'est La Vie Bistro appeared before the Board to discuss the proposal for a safe, pet friendly environment. Ms. Milton had a floor plan and discussed the flow of the floor plan with the Board. Ms. Milton understands that at the last meeting the Board was willing to consider a variance request for the outdoor portion of this establishment (patio area) only. Ms. Milton stated that she understands this is an unusual precedent, but it's one that has generated some interest and indicated that she was looking for some feedback from the Board. Ms. Milton asked what the concerns were? The Board indicated that allergies, bites, fights and flying fur topped their list of concerns. The Board questioned if she had looked in to the insurance coverage pertaining to pets on the premises and she informed the Board that there is no special insurance required, the umbrella policy she has covers "any type of injury on the property". Discussion over pet allergies and liability for exposure, and discussion on occupancy load also took place.

Dilip Jain made a motion to allow C'est La Vie Bistro to have pets in the outdoor seating area only and that Ms. Milton has appropriate liability insurance adequate to

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cover any injuries received on the property. Tina Hill seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

## 6:40 PM Mike Sullivan and Septic Regulations

Mr. Sullivan appeared before the Board tonight to discuss the lot located at 19 Washburn Street. Mr. Sullivan informed the Board that he is currently building a three (3) bedroom house on the lot and was wondering if the Board would be agreeable to a variance if he was to re-design the system and go with a larger four (4) bedroom system. Mr. Sullivan reports that this property is in an RC zone, is a ½ acre lot, 100' wide with a 30 MPI perc rate. Mr. Sullivan indicated that based on the current local regulations, the 25' setbacks to all property lines for new construction, limits him on what he can do with the property, and feels squeezed by the local regulations. Ms. Bacon and the Board discussed the local septic regulations and how they pertain to those lots in an RC zone. At this time it is the interpretation of the Board that the 25' offset for new construction is for the primary SAS, and does not include the reserve area. Mr. Sullivan indicated that he could potentially meet this requirement without needing a variance from the Board and would submit another plan to provide for the 25' setback to property lines from the primary soil absorption system.

#### 7:05 PM 347 Green Street

Dan Wolfe of David E. Ross & Associates and Robert Kody of Envision Homes appeared before the Board tonight to discuss the addition of an accessory building on the lot of 347 Green Street. Mr. Wolfe informed the Board that he had previously met with Ms. Bacon regarding the project and wanted to now speak with the members of the Board regarding the project. Mr. Wolfe explained that his clients currently have pets (reptiles, iguanas, snakes, etc...) inside their existing home and wish to have an accessory building on the property for this purpose. The Board discussed the existing four (4) bedroom septic and how it's overdesigned at 453.6 gallons per day. Mr. Wolfe stated that the new out building would tie in to the existing household plumbing and add roughly 30 more gallons per day. The Board discussed the small increase, noting that it would not adversely affect the existing septic system. The Board did state that a Disposal Construction Permit would be required for the connection of the accessory building to the septic system.

#### 7:20 PM 343 Newton Street Discussion

Ms. Bacon and the Board discussed the lot at 343 Newton Street. Ms. Bacon reported that the health department has an expired Disposal Construction Permit from 7-1-08. Following that was a revised plan dated 4-16-13 which showed a Presby system, which was never given approval by the Board. On 6-11-13, the Board made a motion to allow for a well within 58' of a wetland, supported by a letter from Conservation Commission. Conservation recently notified the health department that he is not allowed to begin work due to expired Orders of Condition. Ms. Bacon stated that the owner/developer, Mr. Ziad Ramadan will have to start the permitting process over again from scratch before moving forward with any construction on the site.

### Guiseppe's Restaurant Update

Ms. Bacon informed the Board that the new chef that was hired a few months ago is no longer employed there. Ms. Bacon reports that a new employee by the name of Stanley has taken over. Amy Capuano, the owner, stated that Stanley is following all of the same procedures put in place by the last chef. Ms. Bacon will be re-inspecting to ensure proper protocol is being followed.

## Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza Update

Ms. Bacon reports that Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza located at 10,002B Shops Way just opened their doors today, however they were closed by the Fire Department early this afternoon as a heater in the open section of the restaurant accidentally set off the sprinkler system. Anthony's will remain closed until they get the sprinkler system fully operational.

### 357 Howard Street Update

Ms. Bacon and the Board discussed construction currently underway on the lot located at 357 Howard Street. Ms. Bacon stated that the Building Inspector informed the owner to make big advancements by 4/12/16 or the building permit would be voided and she believes they are working on completing the framing at this time.

Establish future meeting date: June 14, 2016 discussion The next Board of Health meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, June 14, 2016.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Jean