

MINUTES
STURBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Monday, October 5, 2009 7:00 pm

In Attendance: Linda Cocalis, Bob Audet, and John Degnan. Alyssa Rusiecki, Health Agent and Lynne Girouard, administrative assistant. Meeting called to Order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES — Review of the minutes of September 21, 2009 were approved 3 – 0.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT (Food) – Mr. Woolhouse that he has received only some of the temporary permits required for the upcoming Harvest Festival. There is discussion regarding whether caterers shall pay for their temporary permits. The Board votes 2 – 1 (John Degnan) to charge a fee for temporary permits. Ron would like a regulation regarding porta-potties. The Board will work on a regulation as well as send an inter-office memo to the Recreation Department regarding the upkeep and need for hand sanitizers in the units.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT – Ms. Girouard

RECYCLING CENTER – Request to utilize the can drop off as a fundraiser for Operation Friendship. The first month they would like to use is October. The Board decided that since it is after October 1st, they should be offered November.

NUISANCE COMPLAINT, 207 Podunk Rd., owner Sharon Moshier – Chairman Cocalis reported that she received a complaint from the neighbors of 207 Podunk Rd. regarding manure being pushed into the woods. An email was forwarded and the Board received a video of the manure being pushed into the woods. The Board of Health instructs the Health Agent to write an Order letter to remove the manure by a certain date and to levy fines and or legal action if the manure is not removed. The Board decided that a nuisance exists at 207 Podunk Rd., and that the Agent shall send an Order Letter.

Vote of the Board 3 – 0.

REQUEST TO AMEND CONDITIONS – 60 So. Shore Rd. septic upgrade, owner John and Donna Grehl. The owners request that the condition to test the neighbor's well be modified because the existing well has collapsed and because a new well will be drilled on the property. The new well must be tested in accordance with local and State regulations.

Vote of the Board, Approved 3 – 0.

AGENT'S REPORT — Significant inspections included but were not limited to: the confirmatory inspection at 195 Arnold Rd., tight tank for Pioneer Brewery. The bathroom plumbing in question was verified as being separate from the holding tank in the presence of the engineer, Chris McClure, PE; however one of the building sewer lines from the floor drains was plugged and Mr. Damon removed the plug. He said he thought it was ground water from the apple barn so he put the plug in one of the inlet pipes to the

tight tank. Ms. Rusiecki told him that the plug would have to be removed permanently so that all of the floor drains flow into the tight tanks.

Alyssa and Lynne have been going through older septic files that have not been closed out properly and quite a few of the projects show that permits were not obtained properly.

RECYCLING CENTER/LANDFILL – The fax line purchase was recently questioned but Alyssa stated that she had not only received approval from the Board but discussed the purchase with acting town administrator, Mr. Morse. The \$50 per month fee will have to be itemized for next years' budget.

H1N1 – Ms. Cocalis attended the Southbridge vaccination planning meeting and received an outline from which to work. We will convene a meeting with the Superintendent, school nurses, Police, Fire, and Joan Dusoe from Harrington Hospital Preventative Health Services, (the Board's sub-contract nurse). There is discussion regarding the permission forms to be used by school children; there is a version on the CDC website but Massachusetts DPH is working on a revision.

CONCERNS OF THE BOARD – Dr. Audet states that there is a new daycare facility on Rte 131. (Daycares are licensed by the State). Regarding a question of whether the Tattoo Convention hosts can provide the skin disease course again, the Board voted to allow Zaza Ink to provide the course this upcoming year to participants who need it:

Voted to approve 3 – 0.

Voted to adjourn at 11 pm
NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 10/05/09 @ 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Rusiecki
Public Health Agent