

MINUTES

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

March 4, 2013

Members present, Linda Cocalis, Daniel Chaput, and John Degnan. Health Agent, Alyssa Rusiecki.

The minutes from December 3, 2012; January 9th and February 13th, 2013 shall be put in abeyance.

Agent's Report: The Agent reports on recent routine inspections and reviews. Items of note include: 1). The Food Inspector reports that at one of the recent temporary food events that Rovezzi's is chronically late, disrupting the schedule for opening the event and that the personnel from the Vienna House restaurant were disrespectful regarding the minimum and basic tasks requested for compliance with sanitation best management practices as requested by our Board of Health Inspector. Mr. Chaput will contact the Vienna House and discuss the matter with them.

It is reported that the Host Hotel Spa failed the minimum standards and remains closed.

The Agent states that she has re-inspected the old Picadilly Pub and more work is required for re-opening; numerous Interdepartmental reviews have been completed. Follow-ups are required at tight tanks at 63 -65 Bennetts Rd. There are two on-going housing inspection cases open at 499 and 501 Main Street.

Old Business: (Budget information): The Board will meet with the Finance Committee.

(Hylands Orchards) No new information has been submitted; no septic plan has been submitted.

New Business: (Sturbridge Host Hotel Spa). Since the spa has failed the pseudomonas requirements, the Agent required weekly testing until the results are stable.

Variance Request: (67 Walker Pond Rd., septic < 100 ft. to neighbor's wells). Mark Farrell, sanitarian, is representing the Dragons, owners. The abutter is concerned about the decreased distance, sixty-five feet, shown between his own well and this proposed soil absorption system. There are questions about well-testing for a baseline and frequency of testing going forward. Mr. Farrell will look at other options that will maintain the 100 foot offset to the neighbor's well.

Variance Request: (453 Main St., Sturbridge Coffee Shop, request to pump outside grease trap less frequently than every three months). A letter is presented from the owner, Pia Rogers, asking if she can pump her grease trap less than the required quarterly increments. There is a discrepancy on the paperwork presented; it appears that the inside grease trap was only serviced once in three years, and the pumper is stating that it would be appropriate to pump the outside grease trap every one year. The owner is asking to be able to pump every one and a half years. The Board denies the variance until completed information is re-submitted.

The next meeting shall be *tbd*.

Adjourned at 9:45, approved, (3 -0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Alyssa Rusiecki, Health Agent