

Board of health minutes  
July 22, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Present were Thomas Klem (TK) chair, Cynthia Hill (CH) and Elisabeth Brewer (EB). Also present were Julia Junghanns (JJ) Director of Public Health and Patti White, Department Assistant. Due to a conflict, Dr. Bean was not able to attend the meeting, and as he was the primary person driving the fluoride discussion, the item was postponed to another date in the future.

7:04 p.m. Public Comments: Dr. Carapezza (Pediatric Dentist) 233 Boston Post Road, very disappointed that the meeting (fluoride discussion) was postponed. Dr. Carapezza feels that before this issue was brought to the public that the board should have requested information from area dentists and area physicians. Dr. Carapezza has presented documentation to the board to be included in the fluoride packages.

7:25 p.m. 29 Snakebrook Road- David & Ruth Choi owners- Drake Associates-Local variance for change in use and offset to property line, offset to foundation

Ruth Choi is an acupuncturist and is looking to open her practice in her home. She wishes to convert the master bedroom and sitting room to an acupuncture practice and waiting area. In order to do this the septic system must be updated. The system is presently a cesspool and the house it serves is a 5 bedroom house. The back of the house has wetlands, a tennis court and an in-ground swimming pool, requiring the septic system in the front yard.

- 1) Change of use to 4 bedrooms with a home office and removal of the garbage grinder.
- 2) Variance for reduced size of the leaching area from 165 gpd for new construction to 144.5 gpd which will meet Title V requirements.
- 3) Offset for the leaching area to the property line 10' required 5' provided
- 4) Offset to foundation walls and slabs 20' required 12' provided. Tank 7' offset
- 5) A 40 mil barrier will be included between the leaching area and the house.

If the leaching area were to be enlarged, there would be an issue with offset to the gas line and water line which would require major reconstruction.

The property line neighbor has reviewed the plan and has no objection. The DPW does not have any objections to the 5' setback from the street.

**TK: Motion to allow the requested local upgrade waivers at 29 Snakebrook Rd, with the leaching area 5 ft. off property line and 12 feet off foundation wall and slab, the tank to be 7' off the slab foundation, with 40 mil., as shown on the plans dated July 16<sup>th</sup> 2013. The upgrades are to support the**

**conversion of a bedroom to a home office, with confirmation of the removal of the garbage grinder, pending Con/com and ZBA approval. If approved the home office will revert back to a 5<sup>th</sup> bedroom upon transfer of ownership. Second CH vote 3-0 all in favor.**

8:15 p.m. Additional Public Comment- Lidia Howe- 35 Peck Avenue- Ms. Howe wishes to express her support for keeping the fluoride in the town water. She and her children are patients of Dr. Carapezza. Having come from another country, she can see the difference with fluoridated water in the benefit of it for her and her children.

The August dates for the BOH will be Monday August 12 and Monday August 26<sup>th</sup>.

The bills have been approved

9:00 p.m. 45 Moore Road- Washington Realty Trust –aka(Valre Realty Trust) Deed restriction for finishing attic with a full bathroom - Due to lack of notification, there was no one to present the plans to the board.

**TK: Motion granting deed restriction for 4 bedrooms at 45 Moore Road, permitting the finished attic with a ½ bath ( no shower or tub) not the full bath room as shown in the plans dated recd, June 25, 2013. EB second, vote 3-0 all in favor.**

Julia updated the board on the water concerns at the Town beach related to bacteria and algae.

Dave Henley has notified the board of mosquitos that tested positive for WNV in traps from Waltham.

9: 30 p.m. Motion to adjourn

Respectfully submitted  
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Approved 102113

