

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Present were Thomas Klem (TK), Chair, Elizabeth Brewer, M. D. (EB), John G. Schuler, M.D. (JS) and Michael Wegerbauer. Also present were Julia Junghanns, Director of Public Health and Patti White, Department Assistant.

7:40 pm. Public Comment

7:40 p.m. 120 Old Conn Path- Animal Keeping Permit to keep horses- Michael Olsen- Owner-

Mr. Olsen has just purchased the property and is here to apply for a permit for 6 horses. The prior owners were leasing the barn/stable to a woman who runs a riding classes and boarding horses. The manure container will be located in the same spot as before. There are some limitations regarding the location as there is a circular driveway. The regulations require a covered ventilated storage container to be emptied on a regular basis. The urine odor is from the stalls was not being treated properly. The recommendation is for the stalls to be cleaned regularly, treated with lime and the use of scented pine shavings.

John Schuler speaking as a neighbor and not a board member, he doesn't want more than 6 horses on the property, a large commercial business, traffic coming and going for a commercial business.

Rita Chen of 108 Old Connecticut Path- abutter- there has been a problem from the previous owner (westerly prevailing wind) blows the scent of the manure and urine from the barns to her property. She is looking for some type of barrier between the storage of manure and the neighboring property and how the odor of urine will be mitigated from barn. JJ: this issue is something I was not aware of, it had never been brought to my attention. We would have conducted an inspection and spoke with the owner of the horses. That is why we have a renewal each year so issues can be addressed.

Mr. Olsen has been investigating shavings to help with odor. Mr. Olson has brought people with experience taking care of horses who are friends of his (Jean Jelich and Colin Moriarty from Bedford) to help advise him about odor control and barn management. They will assist him with learning to care for the horses and stall cleaning.

There was a discussion regarding location of the manure container and the owner providing barrier/screening for it. Also, that Mr. Olsen is a new owner and shouldn't be penalized for what the previous did and lack of what he did.

MW: motion to approve the application for 6 horses as included in the plans provided. Subject to barrier/screening of the manure container. Stripping and lime treatment of barn area.

Second TK: vote 3-0 all in favor, abstain JS

7:55 p.m. **59 Woodland Road- Local upgrades for Septic Repair- owner John Wood, Finelli Building, Inc.- Schofield Engineering- David Schofield**

The property is in a septic zone II and served with a single cesspool. Mr. Finnelli just purchased the property came before the Board previously with a plan requesting to tear down the existing house and rebuild with a small footprint and setback offset reductions. The proposed septic plans were not able to provide all the requirements to meet new construction, so now he will just be remodeling the house and now the septic design will be for a 3 bedroom repair/upgrade.

There will be a request for local upgrade waivers for the Septic tank offset to the foundation and property line (7.3 and 5' proposed); SAS offset to foundation and property line (10' and 5' respectfully proposed) The septic system will be provided with impermeable 40 mil barriers.

The existing property will just be a local upgrade with no additional bedrooms being added.

Staff is requesting a monolithic tank- David Schofield agrees to this. Subject to final staff review and approval.

TK: Motion to approve the local upgrades variances at 59 Woodland Rd.

Septic tank offset to foundation - 7.3' proposed - 10' required per regulations

Septic tank offset to property line 5' proposed - -10' required per regulations

SAS offset to foundation - 10 feet proposed - 20 ' required per regulations

SAS offset to property line 5 ' proposed 10 ' required per regulations

Request subject to staff approval EB second vote 4-0 all in favor

8:25 p.m. **Review of Draft Wayland/Sudbury "Mutual Aid Agreement among Public Health Agencies in Emergency Preparedness**

Health Directors Bill Murphy (Sudbury) and Julia Junghanns (Wayland) have worked to draft this document to offer support to both Sudbury and Wayland Health Departments, in the event of an Emergency and/or a vacation type of need for assistance/coverage for either town.

The Wayland Board reviewed the agreement and requested changes to language in item # 2 and section 13 was changed to 5 years. There was a line added regarding an annual review each June of the costs from the year. The Sudbury Board has also reviewed the document. Town Counsel is reviewing the document and the changes. The next step is for the document to be brought to the Sudbury Selectmen and then to the Wayland Selectmen to allow for questions. MW: ask Town Administrator to put it on the Selectmen's agenda for their advisement prior to the Sudbury Selectmen's meeting.

8:50 p.m. **Performance Review- Health Director**

The chair has received responses from the other Board Members regarding Director Junghanns' performance review for the period July 3, 2014 to July 3, 2015.

All responses are compiled in the report under review with the board. There was further discussion re the substitute nurse situation for the medical leave of a full-time nurse.

JS: Does not feel the Health Director was responsible; an HR problem out of her control.

TK: Felt it should be mentioned as a feedback item from the year; not as a negative as regards the Director's performance; that was not his intent.

JJ: Working with HR Director to establish a long-term sub nurse category to be available immediately when these needs arise. Position to be structured similar to school sub-teachers, it will be using the CHN position with several salary steps to choose from. This item will be presented to personnel board soon (she believes this month)

Dr. S: Asking about interaction with the public, have we, BoH received any complaints? Are there any problems or complaints from contractors, or other departments? The board is not aware of any complaints.

JJ: Works hard to resolve problems before they become issues. Most problems/issues are resolved on the staff level.

The board expressed that the Health Director has done an excellent job this past year and appreciate her extra work in doing both jobs while the Sanitarian/Health Agent position was vacant. They know she and the departmental staff work very hard. After discussion, they agreed to provide an Outstanding Rating covering all critical items.

JJ: I really appreciate the Board's support and enjoy working with everyone. We have a great group of staff who work very hard.

9:15 p.m. Medical Marijuana- to be continued to a future meeting

9:15 p.m. **Review and discuss River's Edge BOH Memo dated May 13, 2015, Request to revise memo from R. Stanizzi of Rivers Edge Advisory Committee**

TK: should Mike Wegerbauer recuse himself from the discussion and vote regarding the memo?

MW: I was appointed to the River's Edge Advisory Committee as a representative of the DPW board. The Board is aware that Mike Wegerbauer is a member of the REAC and the Board of Public works. Mike is always aware of BoH on issues as a BoH member, has best interests.

The BoH discussed this and the Board feels that Mike can contribute and add value and knowledge to the discussion on this project (because of all the hats he wears) and to the discussion on matters relating to these bodies without Conflict of Interest.

TK: I have made the modifications to the memo as requested by RS in her email and edited. There was a discussion regarding the memo. TK: will finalize the memo and send to Julia for distribution. MW: the memo doesn't really say anything new that isn't already in the RFP or in our original memo.

MW: Motion to approve the memo regarding River's Edge, subject to TK modifications discussed.

EB: second, vote 4-0 All in favor

9:40 p.m. **the Directors Report has been reviewed.**

The bills have been signed.

9:45 p.m. **Minutes of March 4, 2015, March 18, 2015 and April 1, 2015**

MW: motion to approve March 4, 2015, second EB, all in favor 4-0 (JS- approve to form)

MW: Motion to approve March 18, 2015 and April 1, 2015 (as amended) second TK, 4-0 (JS to form)

9:50 p.m. **TK: Motion to adjourn second JS all in favor**

Respectfully submitted

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