

THE BOARD OF HEALTH MIXTER MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING 120 PRESCOTT STREET WEST BOYLSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01583

March 12, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Members present: Robert Barrett, Celia Hartigan and Mary-Isabel Luddy

Members absent: Alan Harris and Richard Chapman

Also Present: Town Administrator Gaumond, David Sadowski, Mary Harris, D. Harris and John

Harris

<u>Town Administrator GauMOnd Re: FY09 Budget</u> Town Administrator Gaumond was present at the meeting to discuss FY09 budget process/issues with the members who were present at 6:30. Mr. Gaumond informed the Board they could be heard by the Selectmen at their March 26, 2008 meeting.

Chairman Barrell convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. A vote was taken to prepare and go before the Board of Selectmen at their April 2, 2008 meeting to discuss the Boards FY09 Budget.

<u>David Sadowski. 98 Laurel Street Septic System Variance Request</u> Mr. David Sadowski came before the Board to request two variances/Local Upgrade Requests for a septic system designed for 98 Laurel Street. The perc test results were a 2 and 4 minute rate per inch. Jay Finlay asked Mr. Sadowski to use the *5* minute rate because there was a large stone in the perc hole. The two variances are:

- 310 CMR 15.211 Minimum setback distance between soil absorption system and subsurface drain which is tributary to the surface water supply (100' required: 82' provided).
- 310 CMR 12.2 12 (I)(a) Minimum vertical separation distance between the soil absorption system (5' required, 4'provided).

Mr. Sadowski stated that the plan is for the house to come down and a new one with the same number of bedrooms built.

Mr. John Harris, son of an abutter Ms. Mary Harris, stated that he had concerns. MV Realty is listed as the applicant for the septic design drawings. Mr. Harris has not seen a transfer of the property and doubts that MV Realty owns it. Mr. Harris was informed that anyone can be the applicant and the property in fact has not transferred. The prospective buyer wants to make sure he would be able to rebuild before purchasing. Mr. Harris went on to say that he feels the lot is wet and he does not want a septic system leaching onto his mother's property.

Mrs. Luddy will speak with Jay Finlay and get back to the Mrs. Mard as to how Mr. Sadowski should proceed.

<u>Meeting Minutes</u> After review and upon motion of Mrs. Luddy and second of Mrs. Hartigan, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2008 Board of Health Meeting.

Bills were paid

<u>Massage Therapist Fees Discussion</u> In November of 2007, the applications for 2008 permits were sent to individuals and establishments for massage therapy. These applications were submitted to the Board in early December, processed and permits were sent to the applicants in mid to late December. On January 2, 2008, the state sent a letter to all Boards of Health in Massachusetts that was received on January 7, 2008, stating that the State is now responsible for permitting massage therapy practitioners and establishments.

On March 11, 2008, a massage therapist who also has an establishment called the office asking why the fees she paid for massage had not been refunded to her. She said that Northboro had refunded the fees and she wants her money back from this Board. Mrs. Mard was asked to check with Northboro and other communities to see how this was handled and bring the information to the next meeting.

<u>Computer Usage Policy Agreement</u> Chairman Barrell signed the 2008 version of the Computer Usage Policy Agreement. The document will be submitted to Mrs. Lucier as requested.

<u>Municipal Services Document</u> Town Administrator Gaumond requested a list of all activities each department of general government provides. Mrs. Mard prepared the document for the Board and submitted it to Mr. Gaumond on March 7 as requested. A copy of that document was acknowledged by the Board.

<u>Training</u> Various training offerings were acknowledged.

<u>Permit Fees</u> The Board will be comparing their fees with other communities and making changes where appropriate.

<u>Board Member Resignation</u> Member Richard Chapman has decided not to renew his membership on the Board. His term is up on April 30, 2008. Mr. Chapman has been a valuable member of the Board and will be greatly missed.

<u>Condemnation of Property</u> The events that have taken place at 12 Sterling Place were discussed. The Police, Fire and Board of Health are all in agreement that the property is not habitable or safe for the residents. Upon motion of Mrs. Hartigan and second of Mrs. Luddy, it was unanimously voted to condemn the property at 12 Sterling Place. The appropriate documentation will be prepared and sent.

With no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Mrs. Luddy, it was

unanimously voted to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Barbara A Mard Robert J Barrell, Chairman N. Alan Harris, MD, Vice Chairman Celia F Hartigan, RN, Member Mary Isabel, RS, Member