

Westhampton Board of Health

Minutes to Meeting

December 7th, 2017

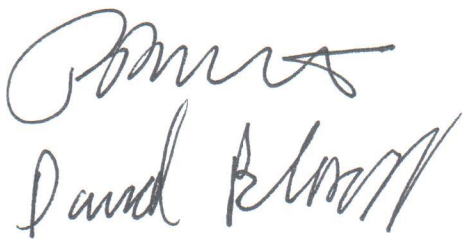
Call to Order at 4:01p.m.

Present : Tom Martin, David Blakesley, Valerie Bird, (health agent). Also present Ginny Curtis, Mary Powers, Joan Powers , Michael Kelsey, Judy Dunaway, Denese Belrueau, Jim Gracia, Don M;utting, Judee and David Wayne, Dave Cotton

- 1) Approved minutes for November 2nd meeting.
- 2) Judy Dunaway of 66 Stage Rd with copy of Title V inspection report for her home prior to construction of a studio space over a garage. Board notes that original system was constructed for 4 bedrooms and that the house currently has three bedrooms (or possibly, just two). Current system is sized to just under 4 bedrooms by current code(short by only 1.9 GPD). Owner expresses desire to be able arrange of market the residence at 4 bedrooms in the future. Board determines the 1.9 GPD shortfall to flow to the leachfield to be insignificant . Health agent to write a letter stating the Boards decision. Letter to be signed by the Board at next meeting.. It is noted that the current system does need a new d-box to bring it into full functionality.
- 3) Jim Gracia and Judee and David Wayne for 17 Pine Island Lake. Jim did an assessment of septic system and provided a report and mapping of the system. System has never been used even though it was built sometime in the 1970s. Board has two concerns: that the leachfield may be in the seasonal high water table and that the tank may leak from its midpoint seam. Mr. Gracia to conduct further assessments to address these concerns and report back to the Board.
- 4) Status update on Outlook Farm Septic (brewery building). Health agent to check in with owner. Is the Farm still brewing on site or has this been contracted out? Is this upgrade which is taking a long time to get through DEP really required at this point?
- 5) Status update on housing complaint at 225 Main Rd. solid waste issues. Property is moving towards receivership. No progress on waste issues. Health agent says that further discussion of this complaint should probably be conducted in executive session.
- 6) Housing complaint at 112 Main Rd and problem with illegal housing in a trailer on the property. Health agent reminds the Board that owners have been informed of their rights to store the trailer on the property only. No person is living there consistently if at all. Attempts to discover illegal activity through drop by inspections have not been successful. Board surmises that this will be even less likely within the winter months.
- 7) Board opened at 4:15 a public hearing on septic issues at KOA campground. Michael Kelsey present for the hearing. Board notes that it has received in writing a request for a continuance of the hearing till January. Health agent states that septic issues for KOA campground meet the threshold of "large facilities that solely under DEP authority." This threshold is defined at 10,000 GPD by 310 CMR 15:006-07. This Title V regulation defines flow at

the campground as 90 GPD per camping site. KOA at 138 sites (35 overflow safari area not included in calculation) with total flow at 11,700 GPD. This determination confirmed by Paul Netupski at DEP. Board tasks the health agent with bringing DEP up to speed on complaints received over the summer and also provide a copy of BOH order for inspections and copies of Title V inspection reports for the septic systems on the property. Mr Kelsey notes that town clerk is in the process of preparing copies of all the BOH records for the campground for his attorney. Board closed the hearing at 4:28 p.m.

- 8) Board notes that site visit to auto salvage yard on Main rd will happen this Tuesday at 10am
- 9) Health agent reports on possible housing complaint (via police department) at 46 Lyman Rd. No BOH matters to report on this property.
- 10) Health agent reports on repairs to old sink at HRHS that resulted in a single high lead test in the water from that location. Sink has been replaced at water tested negative for lead. This issue to come off the agenda.
- 11) Dave Cotton for 315 and 320 NW Rd. Title V inspection of septic systems on these two properties that he owns. Title V inspections were not done at the time of property transfer to his ownership. Board received a complaint that this was not done and so ordered the inspections. Both systems passed inspection. Board has not yet received written reports from Mr. Maginnis.
- 12) Health agent (Valerie) reports that Ron Laurin last day as part time agent for the Foothills Health District will be January 10th 2018. Valerie will be taking over all duties after this date. Board notes that town assessments for the Foothills is likely to rise this year after level funding last year.
- 13) David reports on HRMC activities. Coordinator for the coalition has received permission for a few more hours to keep up with the work load. Board notes what a fine job Kathleen is doing for the HRMC and how fortunate we are to have such an energetic and responsible person for this position. Tom to bring possibility of Foothills permitting 2 yard solid waste dumpster providers. Currently permitting is only required (by state law) for larger dumpsters.
- 14) Board notes that it forget to take up Shared Table issue for HRHS. Address this at next meeting.
- 15) Meeting adjourned at 5:10p.m.


David Bloom