Westhampton Board of Health Minutes to Meeting of 16 March 2017 Present: David Blakesley, Tom Martin, Ron Lauren Call to order @ 4:00 Adjourned @5:40

- 1) Board approved minutes of Feb 2, 2017 meeting.
- 2) Amber Kellogg of 109 NW Rd. received by hand letter from health agent concerning her witnessed Title V inspection and problems with the inspection and report. It is noted that the health agent has reported misconduct on the part of the inspector to DEP. Amber is going to hire an engineer and begin anew with a new system design, given what has transpired with the inspections. Board welcomed this decision. Amber is interested in having her partner in the project install the new system which the Board is fine with. Amber with coordinate with Ron on next steps with engineer. Board voted to waive the Title V witness fee for this resident given the unfortunate experience with the inspection process.
- 3) 225 NW Rd. with solid waste issues is in process. Recent snow storm likely slowed cleanup. Health agent to follow through on order to clean up.
- 4) Ginny Curtis for By-law review committee. She expressed the notion that has become clear to her that communication between the town boards would likely make for a better experience with less conflict as residents seek building permits. Board talked at length about differences between new construction permits and those for existing structures. Board seemed to note a great difference between residents who hire building professionals to move permits through the municipality and those who desire to save money by doing it themselves.
- 5) Ginny Curtis to update on cease and desist orders for two junkyards on main rd. This is in process. Board noted that where storage and disposal of hazardous materials associated with junkyards (VOC fluids) are concerned the Board has clear authority and jurisdiction along with DEP. Ginny noted that the Selectboard seems to be taking the lead on this project.
- 6) Update on septic issues at Outlook Farm. Project in process waiting for plans.
- 7) Update on Grinning Dog septic. DEP has issued approval letter for decrease in flow this kennel business. Board awaiting plans from engineer. Health agent to nudge this along and see if the Board needs to hold special hearing for this varience. Also Board clearly wants permit with reduced flow tied to the deed of the property.
- 8) HRHS public water source issues in process. Health agent to follow up.
- 9) Materials for Landfill Monitoring RFP prepared. David to shop it around and make a recommendation to Selectboard.
- 10) Update from David on Finance Committee. David expressed the importance the importance of the Town staying involved in HRAS and Foothills Health Dist.
- 11)Board discussed septic question from Steven Manley about overdesign of systems for anticipated future use. David to relay info.

12) Ron reported on failed system at 177 Main Rd.

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