



BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES

Tuesday, October 14, 2014
Hildreth House

Thomas Philippou, Chair *Lorin Johnson* *Sharon McCarthy*

Board Members present: Lorin Johnson; Sharon McCarthy; Thomas Philippou

Also present: Eric & Kristen O'Brien, Still River Road; Michael Maccini, Old Littleton Road; Joan Eliyesal, The Harvard Press; Paige O'Brien, Clerk

This meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Discussion: 7 Still River Road, O'Brien

Non-compliance; town sewer connection

The homeowners were unavailable to respond to BoH communication over the summer and have requested the Board extend the offer to review effluent testing results and consider allowing them to continue use of their Presby alternative system instead of connecting to the town sewer system. Mr. Philippou motioned to grant Mr. + Mrs. O'Brien two weeks to contact Presby, Inc. and obtain a proper effluent sample and then submit the data and report at the next Board meeting on October 28, 2014. Mr. Johnson seconds; vote aye, unanimous.

Update – 50 Turner Lane, Tomassian

Non-compliance; seasonal conversion

The BoH office was copied on a September 29, 2014 letter from the Zoning Enforcement Officer, Gabe Vellante, to the homeowner. In the letter, Mr. Vellante requested that the necessary documents for seasonal conversion be submitted no later than October 15, 2014. Nothing has been submitted as of October 14. Ms. O'Brien will alert Mr. Vellante of this status by the end of the week.

Update – CSMP Loan Process

Ms. O'Brien reported that accepted applications for the Title 5 loan with The Massachusetts Clean Water Trust is at approximately 50% of the money approved (\$150,000). The treasurer's office notified the BoH office that the amount will be permanently financed in Series 18 which will close no later than January 20, 2015. Ms. O'Brien is aware of one more interested applicant and will encourage the property owner to start the application process as soon as possible.

Update – Climate Change Preparation

Received positive feedback from 2 boards (Planning and Conservation), confirming their interest in participating in a roundtable discussion about this topic. Ms. O'Brien will continue to follow-up with the boards and committees that were invited to take part in this dialogue.

Permits

- 304 Still River Road; The Homescout, LLC – Upgrade; approved
- 114 Still River Road; Keiran – Upgrade; approved

- 35 Old Littleton Road; Smith - Upgrade; approved contingent on receipt of variance request letter for offset.
- 58 Old Mill Road; O'Sullivan – SCR, d-box; approved

Approve Minutes of September 23 and October 3, 2014

Mr. Philippou made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, Ms. McCarthy seconds; vote aye, unanimous.

Old Business: Devens

Mr. Philippou reported that he had a discussion with James DeZutter, the Harvard representative for Devens Enterprise Commission regarding the status of immigrants presumed to be housed at Devens. Mr. DeZutter did not know anything about this situation. Mr. Philippou suggested that the vaccination status be determined and confirm that the DPH has processes in place to assure that public health is protected.

Public Comment: Michael Maccini, 5A Old Littleton

Mr. Maccini approached the Board with a disturbance complaint regarding recent activity at The Center on the Common, 7 Fairbank Street. Upon concluding that there were no Board of Health violations with the occurrence, the Board encouraged Mr. Maccini to continue his communication with the Board of Selectman.

Public Comment: Harvard Press

A reporter from the Harvard Press is following a post on Nextdoor Harvard regarding an incident in which a child consumed paint chips near the painted rock on the grounds of The Bromfield School. The Board indicated that this was a matter for the Harvard Public Schools but would request be included in all related communications.

Ebola Preparedness

The BoH office has been in receipt of regular updates and has been posting informational documents publicly as they are made available. .

Funds Request

Ms. O'Brien requested to attend the certificate program of the Massachusetts Association of Health Boards on November 15, 2014. The expense to attend this all-day conference is \$109. Mr. Philippou moved to allow the release of funds for this request. Ms. McCarthy seconds; vote, aye, unanimous.

Adjournment

Ms. McCarthy moved to adjourn meeting at 8:05 p.m. Mr. Johnson seconds; vote, aye, unanimous.

The next scheduled board meeting is Tuesday, October 28, 2014
7 p.m. at Hildreth House.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Paige O'Brien.