

Harvard Board of Health Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 27th, 2016
Town Hall

Board Members present: Sharon McCarthy; (chair) Thomas Philippou, Libby Levison
Also present; Ira Grossman (NABH), Lucinda Bowen, Debra Skauen-Hinchliffe
Ms. McCarthy called this meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. McCarthy made a request to have “public comments” added as the first item of each meeting agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

95 Old Mill Road – letter to owner of property signed & sent by Tim Bragan

Foxglove - Mr. Grossman received a response. Repairs are now complete except for trim replacement. A new contact has been established

Charter Commission – Commission requested meeting with BOH on October 6. BOH needs time to prepare for that meeting. Ms. McCarthy will contact Paul Cohen (chair of Charter Commission) regarding the rescheduled meeting date.

Website - Progress continues to be made. Updates will likely to continue throughout the month of October.

Town Well Gross alpha – Well # 2125000 test for gross alpha was 4.6pci/l. BOH to request retesting as this result is within the range of uncertainty for method.

Community Septic Management Program – Current account balance was obtained and confirmed with the Town finance department. Mr. Philippou will follow up with DEP program management regarding the BoH’s ability to offer future loans.

104 Still River – The owner of this property apparently contacted Senator Eldridge’s office requesting intervention from his office BOH decision regarding the bedroom limit on her septic permit. Ms. Levison asked for clarification on the process for responding to emails received from a senator’s office. Ms. McCarthy to draft a letter in response to Senator Eldridge’s office regarding the justification for the BOH position on 104 Still River Rd.

NEW BUSINESS

Drought Status- Ms. Levison received a call from Lucy Wallace, Board of Selectmen, on 9/26/16 regarding a Boston Globe article about water management/conservation and inquired if the BoH

was going to reach out to the community. Additional drought information sent out by NAHB arrived on 9/23/17 when town hall was closed. Ms. Levison suggested providing information/suggestions on how to be mindful of water consumption. Mr. Philippou suggested meeting with the Selectmen on Oct 4th to discuss posting this information on the town website. Ms. McCarthy to draft wording for to present to BOS and to post on website.

Emergency Alert Discussion – Ms. Levison suggested the board may want to consider sharing information with community on how to receive alerts on phones.

Offer from Town Administrator – Ms. McCarthy made a motion to accept Tim Bragan's offer to sign the time sheets of the BoH Clerk. Mr. Philippou seconded the motion.

Meeting Minutes Approved – May 10, 2016; July 26, 2016; August 9, 2016; August 30, 2016

Permits – Prospect Hill Rd, Lot 2-B approved

28 Wescott Rd approved

8:30 Adjournment