

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2016

PACTV video recorded this meeting.

Board Members Donna Bagni, Chair; Thomas Driscoll, Clerk; Gary Fine, Member; and Lisa Cullity, Health Agent, were present. The meeting opened at 6:30p.m. Chair Bagni read the following statement: *"Please note that this meeting is being made available to the public through an audio recording, which will be used to ensure an accurate record of proceeding produced in the minutes of the meeting. All comments made in open session will be recorded."* The Board signed payroll. Fine moved to accept the minutes from the February 22, 2016 meeting; Driscoll seconded. All in favor.

Health Agent updates and discussions:

- **306 School Street.** Mike Redlon, excavating contractor, GS Redlon & Sons, Inc., 3 Shaw Street, Middleboro has not yet taken the Installers test and paid the \$25.00 fee, nor submitted his 2016 Installers Permit application and \$100.00 fee, nor pulled a septic repair permit and paid the \$75.00 fee, and not paid a \$100.00 penalty fee for work done at the property as instructed at the February 22, 2016 Board of Health meeting.
- **33 Lorna Avenue.** The septic overflow, possibly caused by laundry overuse, is to be evaluated by professionals.
- **103 Pleasant Street.** The Board of Health will not reverse and accepts the failed Title 5 report given by Sean McGonagle. Det. Cain, Pembroke Police Department, is following up to assure the homeowner is not being defrauded by the buyer nor Dean Dynon, who requested at the February 22, 2016 Board of Health meeting, that the original Title 5 report be overturned. Health Agent Cullity stated she will not sign any permits for the property until the septic is replaced to meet Title 5 code.
- **17 High Avenue.** Cullity stated she was notified by the Pembroke Fire Department about a hose running septic into the street drains. She went to the property and found out a friend of the owner used machinery to try to determine a septic problem. As a result, the friend had crushed the cesspool with his machinery, then filled in and flattened the soil and left before Cullity arrived. The owner was informed there is no working septic system for his property now and he is to rectify the situation immediately. Cullity stated engineer Shayne McGlone, Kingston, MA, will be drawing up repair / replace plans. The Board requested that the property owner appear before them.
- **Policy for License suspensions / fines / fees.** Cullity stated that there have been past incidences involving septic pumpers, installers and Title 5 inspectors who should have been penalized for either not following the rules and regulations or misrepresentation. Cullity specifically stated some septic pumpers report a larger amount of septage pumped than the tank actually holds and a Title 5 inspector conducted an inspection in the dark without the consent of the homeowner. She suggested that the Board review, revise or draw up rules and regulations for all licensees in all categories. Bagni suggested that the homeowner give written authorization for Title 5 inspectors to be on their property. Fine agreed to that suggestion.

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- **49 Cross Street.** An assisted living facility is to be built at that property. Dewatered percs failed due to the high water table. The parties involved may wait until the summer or fall to re-perc.
- Driscoll asked if the septic at the old **Oliviera's Restaurant** on Center Street was properly functioning. Cullity answered that it was.
- Fine asked about the **72 Four Winds Drive** condemnation reinstatement and if there has been any activity since that notice. Cullity stated she was not positive if there was or wasn't.
- **Tic seminar** – Vector Control (lyme disease). Cullity attended this seminar. Because of the large deer population, a Norwell group is spearheading a new pilot tic monitoring and analysis program to serve a few area towns. It hopes to mirror the current mosquito analysis program that operates at the rate of \$25k - \$30k per year per town. This tic program is estimated to be about the same cost; plus an extra fee of \$20.00 per residence to have tics from that private property tested and analyzed for the disease. There would be no tic spraying, only tic testing and education. An educational website for testing and analysis calls for an initial startup fee of about \$8k and about \$5.00 per household after that. Funding for this program has yet to be determined. Cullity recommended that the Board of Health join in the proposed consortium in order to acquire State approval and asked for its permission for her to get involved in helping to put together area towns for that group. She was granted that permission. Cullity stated that the first step would be to approach the Board of Selectmen regarding joining that association. Bagni suggested that signage be posted on the Town's trails regarding taking caution against tics while using the trails. Driscoll said he was in favor of a "deer season" where the use of only bows and arrows would be permitted to help reduce the risk of tics.

Fine moved to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.; Driscoll seconded. All in favor.

Donna Bagni
Chair