

Board of Health

Meeting Minutes

June 22, 2011

Present: Rebecca Allen, Elizabeth Nichols, Karen Brooks, & Robert Bourke. John Doherty (6:15).

Public: Peter Simpson & Thuy Le (6:05 – 6:20), Steven Rogers (6:05 pm – 6:45 pm), Nina Martin-Anzuoni (6:45 – 7:15 pm).

Meeting Convened: 6:05 pm

Minutes for the June 1st meeting were unanimously approved with revisions.

Peter Simpson & Thuy Le submitted an application for a Disposal System Construction Permit & Local Upgrade for the property at 44 Hosmer Road. Betty and Karen will review the plans and consult with Glen before the next meeting. The property owners inquired about the Community Septic Management Program or other septic loan money that might be available. Karen will research this and report at the next meeting.

Steven Rogers returned to pursue his request for a 10 day emergency beaver permit to allow MEPOA to employ a wildlife control agent to trap beavers in Papoose Lake. He submitted an engineering report on the dam prepared by Tighe & Bonde. This report indicates that debris should not be allowed to accumulate behind the dam. He also submitted a permit application with a note from Joe Robidoux of Forest Edge Wildlife Control indicating that the beavers were interfering with the integrity of the dam and causing other property damage. The Board tabled discussion until the next meeting in order to allow members to read the engineering report.

The Board also discussed the condition of the tight tanks at Mohawk Estates with Mr. Rogers. Mr. Rogers believes that the tanks are leaking through the lids and also through the hole provided for electrical connections into the tank. He intends to construct a roof over the covers and removed some of the pea stone so that the covers are above grade. The Board cautioned that Title 5 may require a minimum depth of cover for the tank.

Nina Martin-Anzuoni from FRCOG discussed Emergency Planning with the Board. The state requires that the Board of Health have current Emergency Dispensing Site plans for outbreaks of infectious disease, bioterrorism, etc. Board involvement in formulating and testing plans is required. Excess grant money for Emergency Planning is distributed to participating towns. The State requires 24 hour – seven day contact with the Board. Two to three members should be listed on the Health Homeland Alert Network (HHAN). Karen Brooks & John Doherty agreed to be listed on HHAN. Nina proposed that the fire & police have a special tone on their radios for these alerts in the event that Board members are unreachable. Becky announced that she has resigned from MAPCO, but will still participate in emergency planning.

The Board discussed the breach to the beaver dam on Long Hill Road. Betty will attend next the Conservation Commission meeting to discuss the Board's role in permitting beaver dam destruction.

Becky added a contact name and phone number to the MEPOA beach permit application. This application is now in order and signs have been posted.

The Board received an application for the MEPOA beach permit. A passing water test has been received and signs will be posted prior to the opening of the beach. The permit was approved and signed. The permit was mailed following the application revision.

The Board voted to authorize Karen to purchase a used, fire proof, locking, four drawer file cabinet for no more than \$550.00.

The Board authorized to purchase additional postage for the existing older postage paid envelopes. These envelopes will be used to mail the Emergency Preparedness flyers.

Karen & John have reinspected some of the worst camper trailers. The following are considered unfit for human habitation, hazardous and unrepairable: 1 Navaho Lane, 28 Westbrook Drive, 4 Shawnee Drive and 4 Lakeview Drive. Betty will write a general letter regarding the removal of uninhabitable trailers and send it to these trailers and other that may be identified later.

The Board reviewed the draft letter to Mohawk Estates regarding the condition of the tight tanks. The letter requires a Title 5 inspection to determine where the tanks are leaking and prohibits use of the tanks in 2012 until the situation is corrected.

The Board approved a Notice of Code Violation & Order to Correct for 14 Mohawk Beach Drive.

Betty witnessed a perc test at 120 Burrington Road on June 22nd. The 10 acre building lot on the east side of the road failed to perc but a successful perc was done on another section of the property on the east side of the road, just to the south of the new lot. Owners were advised to obtain Conservation Commission approval for the new site.

Becky has not had time to do the Food Inspections, but plans to do them soon.

Bob & John inspected the property at 166 Hosmer Road in response to a complaint about junk cars. They found approximately 15 vehicles in the woods on one side of the property and three trailer truck bodies on the other. There was also a camper trailer with an open door and a variety of demolition items. The camper trailer will be added to the list of uninhabitable trailers and a letter will be sent.

Karen will contact Jerry who called to get the Board to sign off on a building permit.

The Board received a letter from Joanne DeMille requesting corroboration that the trailer on the property at 4 Shawnee Drive is not fit for habitation. Ms DeMille is the executor for her mother, Dorothy Allen. Betty will draft a letter indicating that the trailer in question is uninhabitable and making her aware that the second trailer, bathhouse and debris in the yard that is also in need of removal.

The Board appointed Karen to the Space Task Force.

A perc test is scheduled at the Eldridge property on Hosmer Road on June 30th.

A perc test is also scheduled for 96 Taylor Brook Road on July 7th. This is for repair of an existing system.

Becky will contact Susan Clark who called regarding the requirements for a certified kitchen to bake bread for sale.

The Board voted to issue seasonal food permits at a fee of \$35.00 per year. Seasonal permits will extend from 15 days to 180 days.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Nichols

DOCUMENTS

Minutes: June 1, 2011

Disposal System Construction Plans, Application and Local Upgrade Application for 44 Hosmer Road.

Papoose Lake Upper Dam, Phase I, Inspection / Evaluation Report

Application for 10 Day Emergency Beaver or Muskrat Permit for MEPOA use at Papoose Lake

MEPOA Application for a Permit to Operate a Bathing Beach

Beach Water Test Result: MEPOA 5/31/11, 6/6/11, 6/13/11.

Draft letter regarding tight tanks at Mohawk Estates.

Draft Notice of Code Violation, Order to Correct for 14 Mohawk Beach Drive

Heath Fair Grounds Water Test – 5/23/11

Letter from Joanne DeMille regarding 4 Shawnee Drive.