

Minutes of the Town of Dover, Board of Health meeting for December 15, 2009.

Present: DR. Barbara Roth-Schechter, Chairperson; DR. Joseph Musto, Member; DR. Harvey George, Member; Mike Angieri, Agent for Septic Systems; Diane Fielding.

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

- 1) The minutes of the November 9, 2009 meeting were read and approved as presented.
- 2) Jane Brice, liaison to the open space committee, presented the Board with the November 2009, Draft #3, of the Community Goals and 5 Year Action Plans. Principal areas which are handled by the Board of health are Section A Preserve and Protect the Groundwater Water Supplies, Items 3, 4, 5, 8 and Section D, Develop Management Plans For Open Space, Item 2. The Board acknowledged that these areas are within the Board's jurisdiction.
- 3) Helena Swiny, her husband and Paul Robinson addressed the Board concerning soils evaluations on their property at lot 06-80A Dedham Street. Dover regulations limit the validity of soils testing to a two year period, whereas Title V does not. This lot has been tested at least 5 times, the last being in 2008. The Swinys are requesting relief from this regulation as the site has been tested so many times that the soils will be destroyed if testing continues. Various options to address these matters were discussed. The Board felt that continued testing would damage the lot and a reasonable approach to handle this matter was to have the Swinys ask for a variance at the time a building permit is requested to allow the 2008 testing to be used in the design of the septic system. The Board requested a plan showing the 2008 testing locations be provided.
- 4) 5 Morningside Drive. Continuation of public hearing. Vincent O'Brien representing the owner and several abutters were present. Abutters were notified by certified mail of this hearing. None spoke at the hearing. We gave Mr. O'Brien the Horsley & Witten report and a letter by Mr. Sutton concerning the Carr Report. Mr. O'Brien agreed to have Dr. Carr respond to the questions about their report. Tentative next public hearing date was agreed to as January 25, 2010, subject to Dr. Carr's and Horsley & Witten's second review. The owner will have to pay additional review fees. Mr. O'Brien agreed to all.
- 5) 1 Main Street. A public hearing was held to address the variance requested to allow the construction of an up-graded septic system for this 5 bedroom house. Ardi Rappi of Cheney Engineering presented the plan. No abutters were present. Ardi presented a water test for the well inside the house and it passed state requirements, but had an elevated, about 6 mg/l Nitrate level. This is probably due to the cess-pool being within 100 feet to the well. The new septic system will eliminate this proximity issue and meet code. There is a second well on the site which is not in use and must be evaluated if reuse is ever proposed. The variance was to

allow the 100 foot separation distance between the well and sewer pipe to be waved. The Board approved the variance request and design subject to final review and revisions.

- 6) Board of Health Budget. The Board reviewed and approved the proposed budget for 2011.
- 7) Reach Out, Inc. The Board discussed the out-reach work done by Jane Biagi in the school system and reiterated their continued support for the services she provides to Dover children.
- 8) H1N1. General discussion of the vaccination program in the town. Dover continues to receive serum and follow requirements for flu clinics. Dover and Sherborn were to have a joint school clinic but Sherborn has proceeded without Dover. Dover will continue to give shots to students and others as serum is available.
- 9) Dr. Ingrid de Baintner. The Board discussed the letter by Dr. De Baintner of November 23, 2009 concerning the neighbor's wood burning stove and resulting health issues Dr. de Baintner discussed. The Board understands the problem and concerns and has spoken with all parties. The Board will respond to the recent request but feels that there is nothing they can legally do.
- 10) Lyme Disease Committee. The Board discussed the recent survey and findings. A mailing to 2100 houses was made and about 618 responses were received. 211 persons had the disease with the last 10 years and 147 within the last year. The Committee will submit their report to the Board for review and further action.
- 11) 2010 Meeting Schedule. The Board set their meeting schedule through May 2010. Generally, the second and last Monday of each month. This will be posted.
- 12) Diane Fielding's Work Requirements. The Board discussed the significant work level increase Diane has had to handle due to State and Federal mandates within the last 10 years and its impact on her job description.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Sincerely,

Mike Angieri