

BOARD OF HEALTH
One Liberty Lane
Norfolk, MA 02056

Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, June 3, 2014 Town Hall Meeting Room 124

Board of Health Members Attending

Chairman:	Tom Gilbert
Clerk:	Cheryl Dunnington (Absent)
Member:	Jeff Kane
Admin. Asst:	Betsy Fijol
Others:	Wade Saucier & Tom Houston/Health Agents

Tom Gilbert called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

New Business

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Project: **Variance Hearing for Septic Upgrade at 37 Pennacook Street**

Applicant: John Glossa/Glossa Engineering, Neil & Marty Cross/Homeowners

Comments: Tom Gilbert called the variance hearing for 37 Pennacook Street to order at 7:30 pm by informing the applicants and their engineer of the Board of Health requirements for issuing variances.

Mr. Glossa explained that it is proposed to upgrade the existing nonconforming septic system. There are several constraints due to poor soil conditions, high groundwater table and the proximity of wells and wetlands in the area. The variances requested are as follows:

1. To allow the soil absorption system to be designed and constructed without a percolation test as allowed by DEP Policy.
2. To allow the soil absorption system to be 3', rather than the required 4', above the seasonal high groundwater table elevation.
3. To allow the soil absorption chambers to be 3.73', rather than the required 3', below the finished grade.
4. To allow the leaching chambers to be designed per Title 5 regulations, rather than the Norfolk Board of Health Regulations (local regulations requires a 25% increase for chamber fields).

Jeff said that an innovative/alternative technology system may be a good option for this situation. This is a nitrogen sensitive area because of the nearby wells.

Wade commented that he feels an innovative/alternative system could be a financial burden for

the homeowners.

Jeff moved to approve the variances for 37 Pennacook Street as requested with the condition that a test of the well water meets the drinking water quality standards. Tom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 2-0.

Project: Pine Street Medical Building/31 Pine Street-Nitrogen Aggregation Loading Plan
Applicants: Paul Brodmerkle/Site Design Professional, LLC, Chuck Giacchetto/Compass Development

Comments: Mr. Brodmerkle explained that a revised septic design plan for the medical office building located at 31 Pine Street has been submitted. The new plan will replace the formerly approved recirculating sand filter design plus the addition of a Title 5 Facility Nitrogen Aggregation Loading Plan. The medical building is located in a nitrogen sensitive Zone II DEP Aquifer Protection District, with no know sensitive receptors (public or private drinking wells) within a half-mile radius. Development in a Zone II site is restricted by DEP to a maximum loading rate of 440 gallons per day per acre. As shown on the Title 5 Facility Nitrogen Aggregation Loading Plan, there are 5.38 Title 5 acres (40,000 sf/acre) available on the building site, with an additional 1.089 Title 5 acres shown as offsite "Nitrogen Credit Land" located on Everett Street in Wrentham. This offsite credit land lies 3,300 feet up gradient from the facility, in the same aquifer. A nitrogen restriction easement has been obtained to the future use of this land and Mr. Brodmerkle presented a draft Grant of Title 5 Nitrogen Loading Restriction and Easement on Facility Land.

The 36,000 square foot facility is expected to generate 2,700 gallons per day sewage design flow. The combined Title 5 area available for nitrogen loading is 6.47 acres. With a design flow of 440 gallons per acre, the total allowable daily flow for the facility is 2,846 gallons; or 146 gallons per day more than the minimum required.

Approval is being sought for the revised septic design plan and the Title 5 Facility Nitrogen Aggregation Loading Plan.

Jeff commented that the recirculating sand filter would provide a great level of treatment.

Mr. Brodmerkle requested a continuance of the hearing.

Jeff moved to continue the discussion to July 1, 2014 at 7:40 pm. Tom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 2-0.

Project: Agent Appointments

Comments: Jeff moved to appoint the following agents to the Board of Health:

- a. Wade Saucier & Tom Houston – Health Agents
- b. Betsy Fijol – BOH Admin. Assistant/Agent
- c. Carol Greene – Town Clerk for issuing Burial Permits
- d. James Delaney – Delaney Funeral Home for issuing Burial Permits

- e. Mark Oram – Sanitarian for restaurant inspections & Housing Code inspections
- f. Hilary Cohen – Animal Advisory Agent
- g. Ed Nolan – Emergency Preparedness Agent

Tom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 2-0.

Project: Medical Reserve Corps Executive Committee Appointments

Comments: Jeff moved to appoint the following to the Medical Reserve Corps Executive Committee:

- h. Ilene Segal
- i. James Giebfried
- j. Jim Lehan
- k. Pat Small
- l. Wendy Robeson

Tom seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 2-0.

Project: ZBSC Representative appointment

Comments: Tom moved to appoint Jeff as the Board of Health representative to the Zoning Bylaw Study Committee, Jeff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 2-0.

Project: Approval of Meeting Minutes

Comments: Jeff moved to approve the April 8, 2014 meeting minutes. Tom seconded the motion. The motion carried, 3-0.

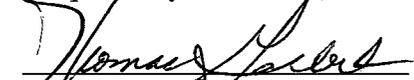
Next Meetings & Schedule

The next Board of Health meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at 7:30 pm.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Thomas Gilbert, Chairman