

BOARD OF HEALTH
One Liberty Lane
Norfolk, MA 02056

Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, November 3, 2015 Town Hall Meeting Room 124

Board of Health Members Attending

Chairman:	Tom Gilbert
Clerk:	Cheryl Dunnington
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

Project: Variance Hearing-24 Village Green Septic System Upgrade

Applicant: Nicola Facendola/Level Design Group for the applicant

Comments: Tom Gilbert called the variance hearing to order at 7:30 pm and informed the applicant's engineer of the Board of Health requirements for issuing variances.

Mr. Facendola presented the proposed plan to upgrade the existing failed septic system for the four bedroom home at 24 Village Green. Mr. Facendola explained that a variance is requested to allow the soil absorption system to be designed and constructed 3' to maximum groundwater, rather than the require 4'. The 1' reduction to groundwater would allow the homeowner to avoid a pump system and possibly a retaining wall. It is proposed to use DEP chambers, which are 8" high, rather than a standard 2' trench.

Wade said that the applicant is seeking economic relief as well as vertical distance relied from maximum groundwater for the repair design. There are a few minor technical issues with the design that need to be addressed, but he said he recommends approval of the variance.

Jeff recommended that Mr. Facendola look into using a Presby System for the proximity to the groundwater. Mr. Facendola said he had not looked into it because of the maintenance requirements of an Innovative/Alternative system.

Wade said a Presby System can be designed 2' above groundwater, which would avoid the need for a variance.

The Board agreed that an Innovative/Alternative technology design would provide a higher level of environmental protection without the need for a local variance.

Mr. Facendola said the local upgrade approval is allowed by DEP, will provide more capacity and the level of protection is comparable to an I/A system.

Jeff moved to **deny** the variance as requested for 24 Village Green to allow the soil absorption system to be designed and constructed 3' to maximum groundwater, rather than the required 4'. Cheryl seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 3-0.

Project: Variance Hearing-16 Lafayette Ln-Septic System Upgrade

Applicant: John Glossa/Glossa Engineering for the applicant

Comments: Tom called the variance hearing to order at 7:50 pm for 16 Lafayette Lane and informed the applicant's engineer of the Board of Health requirements for issuing variances.

Mr. Glossa explained that a variance is requested from Norfolk Board of Health regulations to allow a Presby soil absorption system to be 114' +/-, rather than the required 125', from the applicant's existing potable well with a height of 2.03' above maximum groundwater in soils with a percolation rate of 7 min/inch. A variance of 2.97' is sought.

Wade recommended approval of the variance with the following conditions;

1. A suitable document is recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds which signifies that no garbage grinder shall be installed or used in the dwelling on subject property.
2. A suitable document is recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds which signifies that a Presby EnviroSeptic waste water treatment system is serving the dwelling.

Jeff moved to grant the variance for 16 Lafayette Lane as requested. Cheryl seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Project: Winding Hollow Subdivision/off Holbrook St-Nitrogen Aggregation Plan

Applicant: Rick Goodreau/United Consultants & Tom DiPlacido/applicant

Comments: Mr. Goodreau explained that the applicant, DiPlacido Development Corp., is proposing an Open Space Preservation subdivision named Winding Hollow, located on the North side of Holbrook Street. The Open Space development has allowed for a reduction of lot size to 20,000 square feet. The nine lots are proposed to have single family houses with on-site septic systems which will be designed for four bedrooms. The open space consists of 430,000 square feet of land area. The site does lie within the Zone II of the Town of Millis water supply well and in order to comply with the 440 gallons per day per 40,000 square feet of land area, the credit land will need to have 180,000 square feet of land area. This development plan will require the applicant to obtain an approval from the Norfolk Board of Health for a Facility Aggregation Plan prior to applying for approval from the Department of Environmental Protection.

Wade said this is a two-tier approval process and the Board will need to see the State application and the applicant will need either a Conservation Restriction or a Nitrogen Loading Restriction on the property.

Jeff said the Board will need to look over the draft restriction and have Town Counsel review it before approval. Rick said Town Counsel will be reviewing the restriction for the Planning

Board.

The Board agreed that the design looks fine, but will continue the discussion at a later meeting when everything is complete.

Project: Gold Street-Lots 4, 5-1, & 5-2-Request to test outside of groundwater season

Applicant: Don Nielsen/Guerriere & Halnon, Bruce Stivaletta/Stivaletta Corp.

Comments: Tom called the variance hearing to order at 8:40 pm for Gold Street-Lots 4, 5-1, & 5-2 and informed the applicant's engineer of the Board of Health requirements for issuing variances.

Mr. Nielsen said that the testing on the Gold Street lots was completed on November 19, 2002, 10 days prior to the required time under the supervision of Mr. William Domey, the Board of Health agent at that time. The estimated high groundwater table was observed by mottles at 31"-36". Mr. Nielsen explained that the variance request from Norfolk Board of Health regulations is to allow the determination of maximum groundwater from deep observation holes performed outside the period December 15th through April 30th for design purposes for new construction of onsite septic systems.

Wade explained that the soil data for Lot 4 and asked Mr. Nielsen to provide that. Wade said that in this case, mottles observed would be a fair and safe option with little or no risk to the environment and public health.

Jeff moved to grant the variance to allow the determination of maximum groundwater from deep observation holes performed outside the period December 15th through April 30th for design purposes for new construction of onsite septic systems. Cheryl seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Project: Approval of Meeting Minutes

Comments: Cheryl moved to approve the 9/8/15 meeting minutes. Jeff seconded the motion. The motion carried, 3-0.

Project: FY16 Sanitarian Contract

Comments: Cheryl moved to accept the FY16 contract for Envirotech Consultants. Jeff seconded the motion. The motion carried, 3-0.

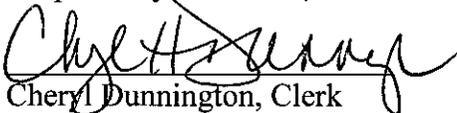
Next Meetings & Schedule

The next Board of Health meeting was scheduled for 12/3/15.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Dunnington, Clerk