



The Board of Health

April 16, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Members present: Robert J. Barrell, N. Alan Harris, Michaun Fowler and Beverly Salate

Members absent: Celia Hartigan

Also present: Phil Leger (Chief of Environmental Health and Response), Mike Mendez (Regional Public Health Specialist), Mark Farrell (Greenhill Engineering)

Chairman Barrell convened the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

385 Lancaster Street (Septic Design): Mark Farrell from Greenhill Engineering designed septic plans for 385 Lancaster Street. With a conditional approval from Jay Finlay, the board approved plans with the criteria suggested by Jay Finlay to be met.

CMRPHA Updates: There were 21 food related inspections conducted, two of which were from complaints. There was 1 Housing complaint where a tenant at 153 West Boylston Street claimed to have no heat, hot water or electricity. This was unfounded and closed. There was also one nuisance complaint from DCR; there was dog poop in put in small colored bags then discarded on a property at 122 Malden Street, which borders DCR land. The nuisance was resolved by the owner of 122 Malden Street who cleaned up the discarded dog bags, and closed by the board of health.

Contract with Engineer: The board inquired with Worcester CMRPHA regarding if they could fulfill septic plans and inspections. They did confirm that they had several inspectors that could assist with those needs. This included the availability of receiving septic design plans electronically. Although electronical designs are available they did state that some of the details of the plans could be difficult to read, unless it was on a paper design. We can request Title V being electronically delivered. The board needs to compare both engineer options and decided on what would work better for the board of health in the future.

Sewer Connection: In 2007 the Board of Health implemented a regulation requiring residents who were within a sewer district to abandon their septic system and connect to sewer. There are still several properties that did not connect to sewer that still need to do so. The Board of Health discussed properties that need to still connect, one of which being 45, 49 and 53 Central Street, owned by Winthrop Handy. The board will be looking further into details of how to go about getting this property connected as well as;

- 137 Shrewsbury Street (awaiting abandonment)
 - ***Needs Grinder Pumps***
 - 92 Newton Street
 - 34 Carol Drive
 - 81 Pine Arden Drive
 - 48 Sterling Place
 - 20 Shrine Ave
 - 68 Sterling Street

Pay Bills: Bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

With no further business to discuss before the board, a motion was made to adjourn by Ms. Hartigan and seconded by Mrs. Salate, it was voted all in favor to adjourn at 8:58 p.m.

Robert J. Barrell, MPA, Chairman

N. Alan Harris, MD, Vice Chairman

Beverly A. Salate, RN, BSN

Celia F. Hartigan, RN, MPH