Holland Massachusetts

Board of Health

Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2017

Members in Attendance: David Kowalski, Robert Dymon, Valerie Lundin

Meeting Opened: 7:10 PM **Meeting Closed:** 8:45 PM

Board of Health Meeting for Date:9/12/2017 Meeting called to order Time:7:10 PM

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Minutes of Previous Meeting 8/22/2017 were read and accepted as written.

Ray Aquillio - 14 Brandon St came in to discuss the results of his water test resulting from the Title V inspection at Paula Bak's house 14 Brandon St. The results of Mr Aquillio's test showed his well had no issues. The results from Mr. Ference's well which is literally only a few feet away showed the presence of bacteria. The Board explained that dug wells are prone to contamination from surface contaminates if the well is not sealed properly.

The Board discussed the four wells in question. The wells at 12 and 18 Brandon St. showed the presence of bacteria while the wells at 14 and 16 Brandon St showed no presence of bacteria. The wells for 12 and 14 Brandon St. are literally within a few feet of each other while the wells at 14 and 16 Brandon St are also within a few feet. The board felt that the bacterial contamination was probably coming from surface issues rather than septic contamination. Contamination from a septic system would have been present in adjacent wells because of their close proximity.

The wells at 16 and 18 Brandon St. showed a "nitrate as nitrogen" level greater than the 5.0 mg/L specified by the Title V regulation. The levels were different 5.83 mg/L and 5.24 mg/L respectively and therefore probably not due to contamination from the same source. The Board felt that flushing the wells would probably lower the nitrogen level. Additionally, the Title V regulation states a level in excess of 5.0 mg/L, but the Federal regulation and Mass Health Department set the level at 10.0 mg/L the board therefore believes there is no health issue with the slightly elevated readings.

Dave will write 4 letters to the owners of the houses at 12, 14, 16 and 18 Brandon St. recommending what the owners should do to correct the issues with their wells.

David Leal (Realtor) for Normand St Laurent - 9-11 Brimfield Rd & Peggy Bresneham (Purchaser) from 37 New Boston St. Sturbridge MA came in to have the Title V performed by LeBlanc Septic Inspections converted from a conditional pass to a full pass. The deep well at 9-11 Brimfield Rd has a nitrogen issure 5.88 mg/L. Ms. Bresneham is aware of the nitrogen problem. Dave will write a letter upgrading the conditional pass to a full pass and stress the steps that must be taken to bring the well into full compliance.

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Joseph Delaney - Jillian Jakson and Ronald Benoit came in to talk about the noise coming from the Villa Nova Restaurant. The sound is relentless and they are having difficulty sleeping as well as other quality of life issues. Valarie Lundin recused herself because her husband is involved as the Zoning Enforcement Officer. Bob Dymon also recused himself because he has property that abutts the Villa Nova.

Denis Champion 12 Sandy Beach & 16 Stoney Hill Rd came in to discuss a septic system he wished to install at 12 Sandy Beach with a leach field at 16 Stoney Hill Rd. He owns both pieces of property. He discussed marrying the two lots, the Board told him that he could if he so desired, but that it was not necessary for the situation he described.

Mark Farrell came in to discuss 9 Leisure Rd. It will be very difficult or impossible to locate a well on the property and Mr. Farrell asked it the board would consider allowing a well to be drilled in the private road itself. The Board did not totally reject the idea, but suggested that Mr. Farrel investigate all other alternatives before asking the Board to make that decision. The Board feels the a neighbor might be induced to allow the well to be drilled on adjacent property and thereby avoid installing the well in the road itself.

Bills and other Issues.

Pay Tom Baltazar \$800.00 for well tests

Northern Tree will tentatively chip in October, Valerie was asked to get an additional quote on chipping from another tree service.

Porta Potty 45 Sandy Beach Rd.

Ray Korney \$60.50

Harrington Hosp \$33.00

There is a letter from the DEP concerning a high lead level in the well water at 24 E. Brimfield Rd. Dave will call Donze at ATC to find out exactly what happened.

Note: Dave Called Tod Donze and was told that a second water sample would be taken and tested.. Subsequently, the water was tested and no presence of lead detected. ATC will write the DEP and report the results of the second test.

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Valeria has several pictures of run off in the water adjacent to 8 Brandon St. The Board feels that this run off is probably coming from Mashapaug Road and the truck lot or the water run off areas constructed by the highway department.

Dave Motioned to Adjourn meeting Valerie seconded. Meeting Adjourned:8:45 PM