

LEICESTER BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robin Wood, Debra Rigiero

MEMBERS ABSENT: Christopher Montiverdi

IN ATTENDANCE: Darlene O'Connor, Director of Health, Eileen Dyson, Clerk

MEETING DATE: May 13, 2008

MEETING TIME: 5.30 PM

AGENDA

5:30 PM **Bill Review and Ratification**

5:45 PM **Approval of Minutes: 4/8/08**

Title V Reports– 139 White Birch St- Pass

707 Stafford St. Pass

6:00 PM **Board Discussion: Well Application 11 Pine Ridge Drive**

6:15 PM **Board Discussion: Proposed Outdoor Wood Boiler Regulation**

6:30 PM **Board Discussion: Town Meeting Update**

6:45 PM **Health Director Report**

A. Food Inspections

B. Septic Inspections

C. Housing Inspections

D. Budget

E. Emergency Preparedness

F. MRC Orientation & Training

G. Employee Health Fair

H. Office reorganization

I. Conference Info

Meeting called to order at 5:50 PM by Debra Rigiero

Bill Review

MOTION: Ms. Wood moved to ratify the bills as presented

SECONDED: Ms. Rigiero

Vote: UNANIMOUS

MOTION: Ms. Wood moved to accept bills for signatures as presented

SECONDED: Ms. Rigiero

Vote: UNANIMOUS

MINUTES: Minutes held over for a full board

Title V Report: 139 White Birch St. – Pass 707 Stafford St. – Pass

43 Crestwood Rd. – Conditional Pass

43 Crestwood Rd.

Ms. O'Connor stated an order has been sent out to the owner of this property. The conditional pass was issued due to a leaking septic tank. The house is vacant and for sale. The prospective

owners are looking to hook into public sewer. However they could repair the tank if they choose to. Title V allows you to repair a component even if Public Sewerage is available.

ZBA Report: 51 Crestwood Rd. A special permit request for an existing deck located within the buffer zone to the neighboring property line. It is not noted if the house is hooked into public Sewer or has a private system.

BOARD DISCUSSION: Well Application: 11 Pine Ridge Drive

Ms. O'Connor explained the request for a well permit from Mr. and Mrs. Dufries of 11 Pine Ridge Drive. They currently have a well 89 feet deep and it is 43 feet from the existing septic system. The septic was installed in 1995. A variance was granted from the BOH and the DEP for the well to be 51 feet from the Septic system with the condition that the well be tested annually. This did not happen. In 2000 the Board of Health received a Title V Inspection report that required further evaluation by the Board of Health. The Title V Inspector determined that the well was actually only 43 feet from the SAS. The Board approved the variance with the distance of 43 feet from the well to the SAS and required annual water testing. A well test was done in 2000 but no further testing has been done to date.

The Board of Health received this well application from the Dufries due to the existing low flow, on gallon per minute. Ms. O'Connor did a site visit and it was noted that it is a tight lot. The distance from the house to the street is 32 feet. The well is located 8 feet off the corner of the house. There are not a lot of options for the well to be relocated. The owners would like to have the existing well drilled deeper in order to provide adequate water flow.

Ms. O'Conner recommended the Board allow the well to be drilled deeper and require annual well testing to be recorded on the deed. The well testing required is a Title V scan to be performed by a DEP certified lab.

MOTION: Ms Wood moved to approve the well application with the requirement of annual water testing of the well with a Title V scan done. Annual water testing requirement to be recorded on the deed.

SECOND: Ms. Rigiero

Vote: Unanimous

Board Discussion: Proposed Outdoor Wood Boiler Regulations

Ms. O'Connor discussed with the Board members that DEP is now in the process of proposing Outdoor Wood Boiler Regs. A public hearing will be held in June. DEP has been logging complaints since 2001.

Ms. O'Connor stated that DEP regs are stricter than ours and discussed whether we should wait on our proposed regs. She stated that the DEP regulations will emphasize more of the responsibility on the manufacturers to come up with a more efficient and better unit.

Ms. O'Connor also stated that she thinks we should move forward with the proposed regulations that we are currently working on and said that Chairman, Christopher Montiverdi was also in agreement that we should have local regulations for wood boilers.

Ms. Rigiero agrees that we need our own regulations.

Ms. Wood stated that there are many people in Town who are waiting for us to move forward with our regulations.

Ms. Rigiero asked what the next step is in this process.

Ms. O'Connor said she needs to make the recommended changes and have a public hearing. It will be advertised for 2 weeks in a local newspaper and will be a separate meeting for the proposed Wood Boiler Regulations.

Board Discussion: Annual Town Meeting Update

Ms. O'Connor discussed our articles at the Town Meeting. All were approved. She stated that 15 Thousand dollars was taken from the Inspection Revolving Account to fund the hook up of Hillcrest Country Club into Public Sewer. Also our annual budget was approved.

Ms. O'Connor stated that we will now work to bring the house at 275 Pleasant St. owned by Gallo into compliance.

Ms. Rigiero asked if they could save money by hooking in together with the Hillcrest Country Club.

Ms. O'Connor presented a copy of the order to be sent to owners of 275 Pleasant Street. The Board agreed to send the order.

Health Director Update

Food Inspections – Two new food establishments were opened

1. Bill's Pizza 1141 Stafford St, Rochdale
2. Tiny Tim's Café – 1137 Stafford St. Rochdale

Housing

We have eight current housing complaints ongoing. Three are in court proceedings.

Budget

We were approved for our budget request of \$106, 904.

Emergency Preparedness

Our progress for Emergency Preparedness is progressing nicely. Ms. O'Connor is part of our towns Cert Team. She recently attended a table top exercise at the High School with fellow cert members. The exercise simulated shelter operations.

Employee Health Fair

The date is scheduled for June 4th from 2pm to 4 pm. The fair will be held in the Town Hall gymnasium for all employees.

Complaints

Leicester Housing Authority – 30 Pleasant St. building #9.

Ms. O'Connor reviewed pictures of the damage with the board. An inspection has been done and an order sent to the director, Mr. Daniel Brosnihan. The building is an older building and is in disrepair. During recent conversations Mr. Brosnihan has stated that money is tight to make these repairs and has asked for an extension to complete repairs. The Board agreed that the violations must be corrected as outlined in the order.

Motion: RW moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded: DR

DISCUSSION: None

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Meeting Adjourned at 7:25

Next Meeting June 10, 2008 at 5:30 pm