

Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2012

6:30 p.m. Call to order	<p>Present: Allen Hoffman, Gary Menin, Donna Clark and David Favreau</p> <p>Business:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approved minutes for March 8, 2012 2. Stable permits, two permits questioned: 1. Pat Peeso, 70 Flanagan Hill Road – states that she has an annual stable licensed issued by the MA Dept. of Agriculture Resources. Clarification is requested to determine what if any inspection has been performed by the State, and if the State inspection regulations are identical to the Sterling Stable Regulations. 2. Larry Favreau, 91 Chace Hill Road - stated they have no “stable”, therefore he feels there is no need for a permit. 3. Suggested that a meeting be set between the Board of Health, DPW, Police, and the Fire Dept to discuss emergency planning and issues...to take place sometime at the end of May, 2012 4. Donna Clark stated that there was no expense to join the regionalized health initiative for the first year. Allen Hoffman stated he would take care of application- all agreed to join. 5. Donna Clark is going to take care of acquiring a plaque for Barry Lien for his service as Coordinator, Sterling Health Volunteers. A picture presentation will be held with Gary Menin writing an article for the Sterling Meetinghouse News 6. Items for next year: Gary Menin thought it was best to advise all well users to test their wells annually. Testing for arsenic was discussed Gary Menin thought something should be mentioned on BOH web page. 7. Gary Menin suggested that concerning permits, only one signature should be applicable. 8. David Favreau stated that they are in the process of scanning files and licenses and that files are backed-up daily
7:00 p.m. 34 Princeton Road	<p>Requested a preliminary variance hearing – soil absorption system repair proposal. Joe Curtain, representative for owner E.H. Perkins, Inc. stated that the water usage was way out of the norm – stating that there seems to be a water leak. The Board stated that the plan accepted for repair of this septic system at a B.O.H. meeting February 1998 restricted the house to 2 bedrooms. Apparently the deed restriction was never filed. Board of Health members will view the property before a permit is issued. Continued to 7:15 p.m. May 10, 2012. Abutters to be notified for final hearing.</p>
7:15 p.m. 23 Tanglewood Road	<p>Requested a preliminary variance hearing. 310 CMR 15.211(l) requires a 200 ft. offset from a tributary to a surface water supply; 102 ft. proposed Variance to Sterling Board of Health local regulations: minimum size leaching field 1000 square feet required; 616 square feet proposed. BOH suggested that an additional deep hole be done at the time of construction to determine the groundwater offset. Property is located in the Cohen Bill area. Continued to 7:30 p.m. May 10, 2012. Abutters to be notified for final hearing.</p>
7:30 p.m. 34 Clinton Road	<p>Local upgrade request hearing - 310 CMR 15.405(1)(i) sieve analysis in lieu of a perc test. Gary Menin motioned to approve; Donna Clark seconded; all approved</p>
7:45 p.m. 198 Newell Hill	<p>Variance request for use of existing private well to serve as irrigation well – BOH concerned with this request. BOH will do research on this issue. Continued to 7:45 p.m. May 10, 2012</p>

8:00 p.m. 4 Ashton Lane	Appeal request –Ms. Loreen Brote homeowner, has informed the board that she currently has a court date regarding the civil matter associated with the septic installer concerning the Certificate of Compliance. Court hearing date scheduled for end of July, 2012. Donna Clark motioned that action be delayed until August 9, 2012 meeting after the hearing for the civil matter; Gary Menin seconded; all approved
8:15 p.m.	Review of Board of Health Agents - Allen Hoffman stated that he would formally request to meet with the Personnel Board concerning Board of Health Agents job descriptions – but noted that Board of Health Agent needs to be classified as exempt; he suggested that the Associate Board of Health Agent job description be revised to reflect the present work including office administration.
9:00 p.m.	Motion to Adjourn by Donna Clark; second Allen Hoffman; all agreed