

Board of Health
Meeting Minute
October 10, 2013

6:30 p.m.	<p>Donna Clark called the meeting to order...Present: Allen Hoffman, Gary Menin, Donna Clark, David Favreau.</p> <p>Monthly activities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. David Favreau stated that Sterling is now operating an AM radio station (AM 1670) using equipment acquired through a grant secured by the Sterling Board of Health. This radio station will be used exclusively to provide information to the public in the event of a public safety or public health emergency. David Favreau stated that the frequency is quite good. b. David Favreau stated that he has performed preliminary plan review's and made comments to the Planning Board for site proposals; one at 146 Pratts Junction Road and also at 228 Leominster Road. c. David Favreau stated, at the written request of a renter, he performed a housing inspection at residence on Riverview Road. A follow up re-inspection shall be performed within a few weeks. d. Approval of Minutes July 11, 2013 Minutes - Gary Menin made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, Allen Hoffman seconded , no discussion; all members approved. September 12, 2013 Minutes - Donna Clark made a motion to accept the minutes as amended, Gary Menin seconded, no discussion; all members approved e. David Favreau stated the flu clinic is scheduled for October 15, 2013 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. to be held in the selectman's meeting room f. Disclosure form G.L.c268A s23 (b) (3) re: David Favreau – All Board members have reviewed this disclosure form. g. Gary Menin questioned why David Favreau web site indicated a quote stating "Serving Sterling and Worcester County". David Favreau didn't realize that was the case and agreed to resolve this matter. h. David Favreau brought up a request of monolithic tanks. Section IV d. of the Sterling By-Laws to Title 5 requires that all septic tanks and pump chambers shall be monolithic. The request stated that tank manufactures can't manufacture tanks over 2000 gallons as monolithic. Tanks larger than this are manufactured in sections. An issue has come to light concerning the design of a septic system at St. Richards's church which will require a 7,000 gallon septic tank. All agreed that Section IV should be revised to have some clarity to monolithic tanks and tanks over 2000 gallons. All agreed that a hearing would not be needed for this specific request and that the regulation should be revised accordingly following the MGL process.
7:00 p.m. 57 Lakeshore Drive	<p>Public Session</p> <p>Tim Corbett requested permission to install a wall on one side of his soil absorption system; his engineer was to make the request and submit a revised design but currently has not resubmitted. Mr. Corbett said nothing will be changed from the original plan. It was agreed that David Favreau was authorized to approve the revision without variances.</p>
7:10 p.m. T5's & Septic Inspections for L.R. Favreau Septic L.L.C.	<p>David Favreau stated that the inspections for L.R. Favreau Septic were being scheduled through the BOH office and performed through the Montachusett Regionalization Public Health Network. To date, these inspections have been completed within one week of the request. This is the same time frame as all other request by licensed installers and or Title 5 inspectors performing work within Sterling. There is no concern of response time to such requests for inspections at this time. Again, Gary Menin still feels that David Favreau should have no contact with L.R. Favreau Septic requests, to the point of not providing them any research paperwork in which they may request from the Board of Health Office for such projects, this should be performed by others. Allen Hoffman and</p>

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	<p>Donna Clark disagreed and felt this was discriminating. Since the office is not staffed adequately, if such a research request was presented by L.R. Favreau Septic, this would require them to wait longer than any other licensed installer or Title 5 inspector creating an unfairness or discrimination. Allen Hoffman and Donna Clark agreed that as long as David Favreau didn't perform witnessing to any such inspections related to L. R. Favreau Septic, such basic administrative research could be performed without conflict.</p>
Municipal Town Water Supply	<p>All Members agreed that there will be a need for future wells in Sterling.</p> <p>Allen Hoffman suggested that all Departments co-sponsor a Town Meeting article requesting financial assistance to support a Study to determine the feasibility of locating additional town water supplies. All Board members agreed that this is a town problem and not just the Department of Public Works concern.</p> <p>Allen Hoffman and David Favreau to present this idea to the DPW.</p>
Medicinal Cannabis Possible Sterling Site	<p>Unanimously, all Board Members thought that this would be beneficial for the Town and that a letter should be sent to Board of Selectman stating the BOH support.</p>
7:50 p.m. 14 James Road, Sean Hauver	<p>Local upgrade approval request: 310 CMR 15.405(1) (g) offset from a septic tank, pump chamber and SAS to tributary to drinking water supply 200' required, 100' proposed. 310 CMF 15.405(1)(i) request use of a sieve analysis in lieu of a percolation test. 310 CMR 15.405(1)(j) Tank inverts <12" from ground water, 6" proposed.</p> <p>Chris Knuth, the Engineer, presented in detail as to why the request should be approved. After discussion a motion was made by Gary Menin to approve the above request with a deed notice and a requirement on the permit stating that the area throughout the septic system must be mowed once a annually with receipts submitted to the BOH office. Allen Hoffman seconded no discussion. All agreed.</p>
8:15 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned