Board of Health Meeting Minutes January 10, 2013

6:40 p.m.

Call to order by Allen Hoffman, present Gary Menin, David Favreau – Donna Clark arrived At 6:55 pm.

General Business updates:

- Approve minutes for December 13, 2012...Allen Hoffman made a motion for one minor change. Gary Menin motioned to approve minutes with change; Allen Hoffman seconded; all in favor. David Favreau reminded the Board that Room 205 has been reserved for the second Thursday of each month for the BOH 2013 meetings. He also stated that the BOH has the room for Wednesday, January 23, 2013 with Judy O'Donnell at 1:00 p.m. to discuss MRC.
- 2. Allen Hoffman signed 12 food establishment permits and 8 sewerage hauler licenses.
- 3. Dave Favreau stated that they will be working with Suzanne Robert at MA DEP Hydrogeolgist on revising private well regulation language.
- 4. Complaint from 22 East Park Road by homeowner about Mike Cove Construction. Mike Cove stated that he would be recording this meeting. Allen Hoffman asked for a copy of the recording; Mike Cove agreed. David Favreau reported that the homeowner, Gerald Wood came into the office with a complaint against Mike Cove of Cove Construction stating that Cove recently installed a septic system at his property, and that all sanitary lines were not connected properly to the septic system, resulting in sewage surfacing in the yard. The Board of Health took the situation under advisement
- 5. David Favreau said Dawn Michanowitz, Sterling Town Clerk, is in the process of codification of town by-laws and regulations and she anticipates meeting with the Board of Health soon to discuss the process.
- 6. 18 Sherwood Drive Update only: On January 9, 2013 the Worcester Housing Court ruled a judgment against Mike McDermott to comply with Title 5 regulations within 60 days. David Favreau stated that this has been on-going issue since January, 2011 and that this ruling should provide closure.
- 7. David Favreau noted that the City of Boston declared "a public health emergency concerning the recent flu out-breaks". He said flu prevention brochures have been strategically placed throughout the Sterling Town Hall and also on the Board of Health web site.
- Board of Health goals for 2013 –
 Gary Menin would like monthly agendas be posted in Sterling meetinghouse enews; Gary to look into it.
 Additional goals...flu-shot planning for 2013; new action plan for wellness events; review of comparable towns similar to Board of Health operations.

6:45 p.m. BOH Budget FY2014	The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed 2014 BOH budget. Discussion to reimburse David Favreau \$65.00 per month for use of his cell phone for a total annual amount of \$780.00 per year. Donna Clark made a motion to include \$780.00 in the expense account; seconded by Gary Menin; all in favor to approve budget for FY2014 as written with the additional expense of \$780.00.
7:15 p.m. Cove Construction	Review the draft letter for Michael Cove of Cove Construction concerning complaint for work done at 17 Hall Ave., Sterling, Ma. After much discussion, it was determined that the actions of Mike Cove of Cove Construction have fallen well below the minimum standards expected from persons holding a Disposal System Installers Permit from the Sterling Board of Health (S.B.O.H.). Donna Clark motioned, under the authority granted to the S.B.O.H., pursuant to 310 CMR 15.019, that no Disposal System Installers Permit will be issued to Mike Cove of Cove Construction until after February 10, 2013. Allen Hoffman seconded the motion, both approved. Gary Menin recused himself from the vote. A formal enforcement letter will be sent certified mail to Cove Construction.
7:30 p.m. Chocksette Crossing	Public hearingJeffrey Brim discussed the needs of Chocksette Crossing to change the permitting authority for their package plant from DEP to Sterling BOH. Mr. Brim discussed the problems that the complex was having with the treatment plant. Mr. Brim and the trustees did acquire a deed restriction on land owned by the Town of Sterling which would allow them to eliminate the nitrogen removal requirement for their treatment plant. Right now the expense to the condo complex to satisfy the nitrogen removal requirement is @ \$78,000.00/ year. The complex has approval from the Board of Selectman and Conservation Committee for the deed restriction. Allen Hoffman recommended hireling a consultant in order to fully understand the implications of the request from the Chocksett Crossing Association. Chocksett Crossing Trustee and representative, Gary Chamberlain stated that the trustees agree to fund the consultant fee for this task. Donna Clark made a motion to seek a consultant service for this review request. Allen second, all agreed. Allen Hoffman requested that they come back to the Board of Health on February 14, 2013 at 7:15 p.m. and state exactly what is needed from the Board.
9:00 p.m.	Adjourned