

April 22, 2015
STERLING BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
BUTTERICK MUNICIPAL BUILDING
1 PARK STREET, ROOM 205
STERLING, MA 01564
MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS Gary Menin (Menin) Chairman
 Allen Hoffman (Hoffman), Vice Chairman
 Donna Clark (Clark), Member

BOH STAFF David Favreau (Favreau),

7:30 PM: Menin called the meeting to order in the Selectman's room. Roll Call Attendance; Menin (present), Hoffman (present), Clark (present).

The purpose of the first part of this meeting was meeting as an independent board with the Board of Selectmen (BOS) to further discuss the conditions at 33 Main Street. Details of the discussion are reported in the minutes of the Selectman's meeting dated April 22, 2015. The BOH indicated that it would not join the BOS in pursuing legal action against the owner of 33 Main Street.

At approximately 7:50 PM The BOH left the Selectmen's meeting and briefly reconvened in Room 201 to approve the final wording of the memo to the Finance Committee regarding the Town Meeting article on East Lake Waushacum that had been submitted by the Conservation Commission. David Favreau joined the meeting at this time. After a brief discussion, a motion to approve the final wording of the memo was made by Hoffman and seconded by Menin. All voted in favor. Favreau was instructed to create the final form of the memo on BOH stationary and send it to the Finance Committee, Conservation Commission and the Board of Selectmen.

Clark moved to adjourn, seconded by Menin. All were in favor.
The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Attachment: Memo to the Finance Committee

April 23, 2015

MEMO TO: Finance Committee, Board of Selectman, and Conservation Commission

SUBJECT: Board of Health comments on article # 27 (previously listed as article # 35) as requested by the Finance Committee in a March 7, 2015 meeting with the Board of Health.

The Board of Health has reviewed the following documents:

- Draft Article 35.for the 2015 Town Meeting
- The 2014 Year End Report on East Lake Waushacum (Lycott Environmental)
- The 2014 Tributary Testing Program Report (Lycott Environmental).

and offers the following comments:

East Lake Waushacum represents an important and valuable environmental and recreational resource for the Town of Sterling, - therefore it is appropriate for the Town of Sterling to financially support the continued monitoring and maintenance of this resource.

However, the current testing and monitoring program does not gather sufficient data to take a longer term view of how to maintain the quality of this important resource. What is necessary is to perform a Nutrient Balance on the entire lake watershed. Potential items that should be considered are:

- The lake outlet should be added as monitoring site,
- The flow rate at all inlets and at the outlet should be routinely determined in conjunction with gathering water samples,
- The seasonal nature of gathering data should be extended,
- Any other items that are deemed necessary found by further investigations.

The Board of Health would be pleased to participate with the Conservation Commission in developing a protocol which would better enable the Town to take a longer term view of maintaining this very valuable resource.