

MINUTES OF NORTON BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

April 11, 2011

The Norton Board of Health held a regular meeting on Monday, April 11, 2011 at 6:35 PM in the 1st Floor Conference Room of Town Hall. The following members were present: Chairman Steven H. Corr, PE, Vice-Chairman Robert B. Medeiros, Clerk Diane Battistello, Health Agent Leon J. Dumont and Administrative Secretary Cynthia Peters.

Call to order

Chairman Corr called the March 7, 2011 Board of Health meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

Darren Michaelis – Foresight Engineering Inc. to discuss local regulation of metal cover of medium grade.

Health Agent Dumont stated that Mr. Michaelis completed a Title 5 inspection on a property in Town; however, he did not install a metal cover of medium grade on the outlet. He did, however, install a plastic cover which does not comply with the Town of Norton local regulations.

Mr. Michaelis was present and had with him a cast iron cover and a plastic cover for the Board to review.

Mr. Michaelis stated that he supports the Board's decision in being proactive by requiring septic tank outlet covers be brought to grade for easy maintenance with secured covers for the safety of the Town residents.

Mr. Michaelis stated that he believes the metal covers are anything but safe for the following reasons: The mortar used as adhesive between the cast iron rim and the concrete riser dries and cracks losing all security to the concrete. The bolts used to attach the cast iron cover to the rim can either snap off or be cross threaded requiring drilling. In some instances, there is no way to attach the cover unless a new hole is drilled and tapped for larger bolts. Cast iron can corrode. Bolts can rust to the cover. Aligning bolt holes on the cover with the holes on the rim can also be a problem. Mr. Michaelis stated that contractors install light weight cast iron rims for residential systems. If the rim is not cleaned of soil, the cover will not sit in place if not secured and the chance of flipping the cover is very good. Most residential septic tank covers are located in the front or back yard and with the requirement to be at grade, there is a possibility of children playing on or around them. Cast iron is a very hard surface with a potential for accident or injury.

Vice-Chairman Medeiros stated that he is a contractor and has no problems with the cast iron covers. The regulations call for a metal cover of medium grade and that is what he installs.

Clerk Battistello, asked Mr. Michaelis why he was coming to the Board after the Title 5 Inspection had been completed instead of before?

Mr. Michaelis did not respond with an answer to Clerk Battistello's question.

Chairman Corr stated that Title 5 does not specify the type of cover; the regulation only states that the cover must be watertight.

Mr. Michaelis stated again that his concern is safety, and would like the Board to consider the plastic covers that are securable and watertight. These plastic covers meet the requirement of Title 5 by being securable and watertight and non-corrosive. These covers can be filled with sand to add weight and have four screws that are self tapping and can be removed a hundred times before longer screws would be required to reach the second rib of the ADS riser.

Chairman Corr requested that Mr. Michaelis send the information and specs to the Health Agent.

Vice-Chairman Medeiros stated that he would abstain from a vote because it could be considered a conflict of interest as a licensed Title 5 installer.

No member of the Board proposed a motion.

288 South Worcester Street – SludgeHammer repair

Health Agent Dumont stated that he has received an application and information from TNT Excavating proposing the installation of a Sludge Hammer S46 treatment at 288 South Worcester Street.

Health Agent Dumont further stated that since this property has a 1000 gallon septic tank, it would have to upgrade to a 1500 gallon per our local regulations. After further discussion, it was determined that 288 South Worcester Street would be installing a conventional Title 5 septic system with a plastic septic tank. A soil evaluation and percolation test will be scheduled.

Minutes

February 8, 2011 Executive Session Minutes

Vice Chairman Medeiros made the motioned to sign the February 8, 2011 executive session minutes approved at the March 7, 2011 as written again. Clerk Battistello seconded this motion. This motion passed 3-0 M. S. D. V.

March 7, 2011 Minutes

Vice Chairman Medeiros made the motioned to approve both the executive session minutes and the regular minutes from the March 7, 2011 meeting. Clerk Battistello seconded this motion. This motion passed 3-0 M. S. D. V.

Consent Agenda

2011 Trash Licenses

2011-45	J. F. McNamara & Sons Corp.	N22834 MA
2011-46	A Container Service	N67348 MA celebrate

2011 Title 5 Licenses

2011-62	Jathan M. Turner	JM Turner Construction
	108 Cameron Way, Rehoboth	System Installer
2011-63	Alan T. Watterson	ATW, Inc.
	335 Mountain Street, Sharon	System Inspector & Installer
2011-64	Robert S. Salvo Sr.	S & L Construction Co.

2011-65	26 Newcomb Street, Norton Darren J. Michaelis 88 W. Grove St., Suite 2, Middleboro	System Installer Foresight Engineering Inc. System Inspector
2011-66	John D. Orlando 156 West Main Street, Norton	System Inspector & Installer
2011-67	James J. Conceison 20 Poquanticut Ave.	J. Conceison Co., Inc. System Inspector
2011-68	Jeffrey M. Brennan 66 Napier Road, Marshfield	System Inspector

2011 Septage/Grease/Sludge License

2011-65	Wendy Juergens 400 Foxborough Blvd. #9108, Foxboro	Pump Grump Inc. M70840 MA
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2011 Food Service

2011-97	Norton Council on Aging Food Service and Milk & Cream	55 West Main Street
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Bills Payable

Haskins Pharmacy Inc.	Invoice # 7554	\$2.79
General Fire Extinguishers, Inc.	Invoice #-95507	\$76.00
Public Sector Partners	Invoice # 00001032 (2010-2011 flu Clinics)	\$95.62
Donna Palmer	March 2011 mileage	\$93.33

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Health and will be enacted by an automatic motion with an automatic second. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed for the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Old Business

Rules and regulations

Chairman Corr stated that he would like to have the proposed revisions to the rules and regulations worked on for the next meeting.

417 Old Colony Road

Health Agent Dumont stated that he received a revised Disposal System Construction Permit and Regulated Trench Application from Sitec for 417 Old Colony Road on March 31, 2011. After he reviewed this application and compared it to the application received in December 2009 it is not that different. The application in 2009 was to replace the distribution box and pipe from septic tank to distribution box and clean the pipes in the leaching field. The application received March 31, 2011 is to replace the existing distribution box, replacement of the pipe located between the distribution box and septic tank, and cleaning of the leaching filed laterals.

After a brief discussion the following motion was made.

Vice-Chairman Medeiros made the motion that the Board of Health requires the following as order of conditions for the repair of the septic system at 417 Old Colony Road.

1. A Registered Sanitarian or Registered Professional Engineer shall certify that the existing septic tank is water-tight.
 2. An effluent tee filter shall be installed in the outlet tee of the septic tank in accordance with the Town of Norton Board of Health Regulations.
 3. The existing distribution box shall be removed and replaced.
 4. The existing piping from the distribution box to the septic tank and any other damaged pipe shall be removed and replaced.
 5. As recommended in the July 12, 2008 Title 5 Inspection Report the laterals shall be inspected using a television camera and all gravel and sludge removed. The cleaning shall be documented using a television camera by inspecting the laterals following the cleaning. The Health Agent shall be notified prior to conducting the above tasks.
 6. The Health Agent shall be notified by the owner and will inspect the system as follows: when the excavation has been opened prior to the installation of the distribution box, when the distribution box and associated piping have been installed and during the flow test for the distribution box to assure equal distribution of wastewater.
- Clerk Battistello seconded this motion. This motion passed 3-0 M. S. D. V.**

420 Old Colony Road

Health Agent Dumont stated that the Department of Environmental Protection has received the application for piloting a White Knight Microbial Inoculator Generator alternative system at 420 Old Colony Road. As of April 6, 2011 the Department has completed an Administrative Review of the application and determined that the application is administratively complete for permit category BRP WP64b. The Department is allotted 48 days to complete the technical review.

New Business

Next Board of Health meeting date 5-2-11

After a brief discussion the next scheduled Board of Health meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2011.

Health Agent's monthly report for March 2011

The Board and Health Agent Dumont reviewed his monthly report from March 2011.

Assistant Health Agent's monthly report for March 2011

The Board and Health Agent Dumont reviewed the Assistant Health Agent's monthly report.

Inspector of Animals monthly report for February 2011 & March 2011

The Board reviewed both February and March 2011 Inspector of Animals monthly reports.

Inspector of Animals 2010 Barn Book

The Board reviewed the Inspector of Animals 2011 Barn Book report.

Public Health Nurse's monthly report for March 2011

The Board reviewed the monthly report submitted by the Public Health Nurse for March 2011.

Revolving Account

The Board discussed the possibility of having a revolving account for the Board of Health and Public Health Nurse.

Health Agent Dumont stated that over the past years the Department of Public Health has been pushing the immunization for flu vaccine very heavy. Our office just received information that the State is cutting the amount of vaccine supplied to local Boards of Health by at least 50%. Having a revolving account would help the Department purchase the necessary amount of vaccine. Chairman Corr suggested that the Health Agent begin work on an article for a future Town Meeting to allow the Board to set up a revolving account. He also suggested that an item be added to the Agenda to discuss the progress.

Informational

Health Agent Dumont stated that he had received an Aquaworx Remediator installation manual from Muddy Waters Environmental Inc., with the approval for remedial use by the Department of Environmental Protection.

Health Agent further explained that the Aquaworx Remediator functions are like the White Knight.

Adjourn

Vice-Chairman Medeiros made the motion to adjourn the April 11, 2011 Board of Health Meeting at 8:12 PM. Clerk Battistello seconded this motion. This motion passed 3-0 M. S. D. V.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia J. Peters
Administrative Secretary

Steven H. Corr, PE
Chairman

Robert B. Medeiros Sr.
Vice-Chairman

Diane Battistello
Clerk
April 11, 2011