

Clerk



MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF HEALTH
FEBRUARY 13, 1989

Board members present were Chairman George Emmons, Joseph Glannon, and Gerhard Heinrich. Staff present were Health Officer Jose Albors, and Secretary Sheryl Howe. Others present were Cal O'Cain, Roy C. Smith, Harry Donahue, John Logan, Roger Woodard, and Stephen Risotti.

The meeting opened at 7:45 P.M. The minutes were reviewed and corrections were made. Mr. Heinrich made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting of November 28, 1988. Mr. Glannon seconded. All were in favor.

Cal O'Cain - 477 Great Road - Highland Realty

Mr. O'Cain is requesting permission to install a pump prior to a septic tank. Mr. O'Cain previously installed bathroom facilities in the greenhouse. He also installed a pump not knowing this was improper. However, when he was notified of this he went through the necessary procedures to apply for this variance. This type of pump breaks up the solid while pumping to the septic tank therefore, prevents settling of fine particles which can clog the leaching field. The average daily flow is 83 gallons. The Board made the decision to table this until further information can be provided. The Health Department would like to have Jack Dunphy, the engineer who designed the septic system contact the Health Department to see what Mr. Dunphy had in mind when he drew up the plans.

Mr. Glannon made a motion to table this until more information is obtained from Doug Hallely on the flow from the toilet facilities. Mr. Heinrich seconded. All were in favor.

Barbara Cooper - Variance for massage practitioner license

Ms. Cooper seeks a variance for a massage practitioner license. Article 13 - 3.15 states that no licensee shall practice massage upon a person of the opposite sex; nor shall a licensee give vapor baths to a person of the opposite sex. The question was raised whether this regulation can be varied. Mr. Glannon made a motion to table this request for a variance pending further information on the board's authority to grant this requested variance. Mr. Heinrich seconded. All were in favor.

Audubon Hill - Determination of Per Bedroom Flows under Title 5

The developer of Audubon Hill, an elderly housing project off of High Street, seeks a determination of the per bedroom flows to be used in designing the septic system for the project. Mr. Donahue, of Acton Survey & Engineering, Inc., provided actual water use figures for similar projects in the area, based on meter readings. He requested that the per bedroom flow to be used in calculating the size of the septic fields be based on those figures, instead of the 110 gallon/per day/per bedroom figure required for most residential units. The rationale for using actual meter readings from similar projects is that these developments are different from other multiple dwelling units: the occupancy restriction to persons 55 or older and spouses tends to lead to fewer total occupants and therefore lower per bedroom flows. The actual figures presented to the board corroborate this. Footnote one in the Flow Calculation Table authorizes this method for determining flows.

Mr. Glannon moved that, in accordance with the footnote in the Title 5 table 310 CMR 15.02 the figure used for calculating per bedroom flows in designing the system should be based on the average submitted for similar projects in that area. He further moved that one figure submitted by Mr. Donahue, 22 gallons per bedroom, be excluded from the average as unrepresentative. On this basis the per bedroom figure to be used would be 50 gallons. Mr. Heinrich seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

S.W. Hamilton - 1028 Main Street - Special Permit for Work in Aquifer

Mr. Steve Risotti who represents Stamsky + McNary seeks a special permit for work in the aquifer protection zone. Mr. Risotti seeks a new system for a new building. The property is located in commercial industrial area with perc rates less than 2 minutes per inch. The nearest

private well is greater than 100 feet from the proposed septic tank. Also, the property is well beyond the one year travel time to the nearest municipal well. The proposed building is for a Warehouse/ Office. Mr. Heinrich made a motion to grant this special permit for work in the recharge protection area with the following conditions:

1. No underground fuel storage tanks shall be permitted on the site.
2. Septic tank shall be pumped a minimum of once a year.
3. The site shall fully conform to the Town of Acton Hazardous Materials Control Bylaw.
4. The sewage disposal system for the proposed building at this site shall be approved by Acton Board of Health staff.
5. The leaching facility shall be designed and installed with a dosing system, said pressure dosing to be designed in accordance with State Environmental Code.
6. Floor cleaning procedures for the buildings shall use only nontoxic and biodegradable cleaning compounds.
7. Sewage disposal system shall be a minimum 100 feet from flood plain and/or wetland.
8. Floor drains are not permitted.

Mr. Glannon seconded. All were in favor.

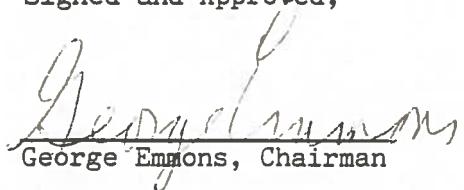
Mr. Glannon made a motion to adjourn at 10:30 P.M. Mr. Heinrich seconded. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sheryl Howe, Secretary

Signed and Approved,



George Emmons, Chairman