

TOWN OF LANCASTER
BOARD OF HEALTH
Lancaster Community Center
January 6, 2016

Present: Stephen Piazza Chair, David Dunn Clerk, and Richard Belanger

Also Present: William Brookings, R.S., Nashoba Associated Boards of Health.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 9:04 AM.

General Business

Correspondence

The Board reviewed the correspondence folder.

Minutes from December 2, 2015

Mr. David Dunn and Chair Steve Piazza had minor corrections to the minutes.

At 9:08 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Mr. Richard Belanger seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

Discussion – Collection Containers List

Chair Piazza stated that he drafted a list of collection containers in town that will need to be permitted. Chair Piazza stated that the companies with boxes will need to be contacted and informed of our new regulations and permitting process.

Mr. David Dunn stated that he will gather the information for the boxes located at South Lancaster Academy.

New Business

Trash Haulers Permits

Chair Piazza asked if there was a list of trash haulers for the year and when the new permit applications would be going out.

Ms. Heather Hampson stated that she will be sending out the applications for this year's permits by the end of the month, and will use the current list of haulers that is posted on the town website.

P.J. Keating

Chair Piazza stated that P.J. Keating is shut down for the year in terms of blasting and asphalt production. Chair Piazza stated that they will continue to sell stone but will not start blasting again till the spring.

Chair Piazza stated that he has drafted a final list of complaints that came in regarding Keating and had it sent to the other Board members.

Discussion – South Meadow Road Odor Compliant

Chair Piazza stated that he went out to visit location and found the source of the odor. A farmer leasing an abutting field was using a fertilizer that was causing the smell. Chair Piazza stated that once it rained the smell went away.

Title V

8 Highland Street

Mr. Brookings stated that a Title V was done on the property which raised some questions concerning the ground water level. Mr. Brookings stated that he went and looked through the file and noticed a letter that was issued after the last Title V questioning the ground water level. Mr. Brookings also stated that the Title V has the house listed as a three bedroom but the assessor's office has the house listed as a six bedroom.

Mr. Brookings stated that he will draft another letter to go out to the owner stating the need for further information on the ground water in the area. Mr. Brookings stated that the letter will include a request for information on the room count on the house and the need for an upgraded system or a deed restriction.

Permits

519 South Meadow Road

Mr. Brookings stated that the permit was signed between meetings and has been installed.

Chair Piazza asked Mr. Brookings if there was any concern with the variances that were requested.

Mr. Brookings went over the plans with the Board and the variances requested that have been approved in the past on other properties.

At 9:33 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to approve the variances requested for the septic system on 519 South Meadow Road. Mr. Richard Belanger seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

Title V Inspection Reports

519 South Meadow Road – Failed Board approved variances and signed permit.

39 Ponakin Road – Failed will send letter

435 Langen Road - Pass

61 Old Union Turnpike - Pass

Discussion, Housing Complaint 33 Mill Street

Chair Piazza stated that he has not gone back to the site to do an inspection.

Mr. Brookings stated that he had spoken to the property owner's daughter and the tenant that lived in the apartment has left. Mr. Brookings stated that as long as the apartment is empty the health risk is gone. Mr. Brookings stated that he will draft a letter stating what needs to be done moving forward.

Discussion, 2501 Main Street

Chair Piazza stated that he went out to the area and observed the trash on the property

Mr. Brookings stated that a letter was sent last week requesting the property be cleaned up.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Hampson, LBOH Office Manager