

TOWN OF LANCASTER
BOARD OF HEALTH
Lancaster Community Center
September 14, 2016

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

Also Present: William Brookings, Agent, Nashoba Board of Health

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 9:25 AM.

Discussion, 30 South Meadow Road, Proposed Addition

There was no one present to discuss the property.

Discussion, Tech Team Meeting

Chair Steve Piazza stated that he attended the monthly tech team meeting at town hall last month and will send along some of the information that was shared to the other Board members.

Discussion, 56 Vincent Ave

Chair Piazza stated that he went out to the property and there are still some cars parked along with a moving van. Chair Piazza stated that the Zoning Enforcement Officer, Peter Munroe, has not taken any action of the property.

Chair Piazza stated that he will go out to the property again this afternoon and report back to the Board of the status of the property.

Discussion, 134 Fire Road 12 – Well Variance

Present: Edward Brow, Owner

Mr. Bill Brookings stated that the proposed well will be used for irrigation purposes and be a gravel well. Mr. Brookings stated that currently there is a pump on the property that pumps water from the lake for irrigation purposes. The variance requested is for the reduction of the offset to the septic system.

Chair Piazza request that the well be labeled as irrigation well.

At 9:28 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to approve the variance as requested for the irrigation well at 134 Fire Road 12. Chair Piazza seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 2-0-0.

Discussion, McGovern Blvd – Septic System

Present: Bill Hannigan, Hannigan Engineering

Mr. Bill Hannigan stated that there is an approved Dunkin Doughnuts proposed for the property on McGovern Blvd across from Kimball Farms. Mr. Hannigan stated that his client is looking for permission from the Board of Health to start construction on the septic system without a septic permit. Mr. Hannigan stated that they would like to excavate the fill out for the septic system prior to permit and understand that the hole will not be inspected till a permit is issued. Mr. Hannigan stated that the fill will be removed from the site.

Chair Piazza asked Mr. Brookings if there was any concern with the request.

Mr. Brookings stated that the Board can allow with the understanding that nothing else can be done till the excavated septic bed is inspected which will not occur till a permit is issued.

At 9:35 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to allow for fill to be excavated in preparation of the septic system prior to the issuance of the septic permit with the understanding that the work will be at the owners own risk. Chair Piazza seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 2-0-0.

Discussion, 14 Lawson Ave – Irrigation Well

Mr. Brookings stated that the abutter to 14 Lawson Ave owns both lots and is planning on taking the house down and is expanding his lot. The current well on 14 Lawson Ave has a shallow well and the owner would like to make that shallow well irrigation well.

Chair Piazza stated that the well will have to be signed as irrigation well only.

Mr. Brookings stated that there will be a deed notice for the well.

At 9:40 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to grant the variance to allow for the irrigation well at 14 Lawson Ave. Chair Piazza seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 2-0-0.

Discussion, Jones Crossing – Shared System documents

Mr. Brookings stated that the documents are still under review at this time, and suggested to the Board members to review as well.

Discussion, Jones Crossing – Force main work and sewer line Title 5 Variance

Present: Ed Paquette

Mr. Ed Paquette went over some of the work that has been done on the sewer line and force main for the Jones Crossing Project. Mr. Paquette stated that a change had to be made in regards to crossing the wetlands crossing.

Mr. Brookings stated that the changes to the installation of the sewer line across the wetlands are the preferred way to do them.

Chair Piazza asked what was still left to be done on the project on a Board of Health stand point.

Mr. Paquette stated that the sewer line has been installed on the road with the cut for the force main. The shared system permit has not been issued at this time. Mr. Paquette is requesting that the Board of Health allow him to install the force main at his own risk prior to the permit being issued.

Mr. Brookings stated that DEP has not reviewed the shared systems plan, stating that the local Board of Health must approve the plan and issue the permit. Mr. Brookings stated that he has completed his review of the plan.

Mr. Brookings stated that Mr. Paquette was before the Board a few months ago with the same request. Mr. Brookings stated that since then all the documentation has been submitted and a review has been completed and as long as Mr. Paquette understands that he will be installing the force main at his own risk does not see an issue with allowing the work.

Mr. Dunn stated that he wants to make sure that the owners of the properties with the shared system and the town are protected in case of an issue with the system.

Mr. Paquette stated that there is an Operations and Maintenance plan for the system.

At 9:49 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to allow the force main installation continue with the understanding that it is being done at the owners own risk. Chair Piazza seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 2-0-0.

Permits

475 Sterling Road

Mr. Brookings stated that the system failed a Title 5 inspection and required a D-Box replacement.

The Board signed the permit for 475 Sterling Road

30 Perry Road

Mr. Brookings stated that the he has received the deed notice required for the tight tank. Mr. Brookings stated the Board voted on the system design last year.

The Board signed the permit for 30 Perry Road.

Minutes for Approval

Minutes from August 3, 2016

Both Mr. Dunn and Chair Piazza had a few minor corrections to the minutes

At 9:52 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to accept the minutes from August 3, 2016 as amended. Chair Piazza seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 2-0-0.

Minutes from September 7, 2016

Mr. Dunn had a few minor corrections to the minutes.

At 9:53 AM Mr. David Dunn made a motion to accept the minutes from September 7, 2016 as amended. Chair Piazza seconded. No discussion. VOTE: 2-0-0.

Correspondence

The Board reviewed the correspondence folder

New Business

Recombinant DNA Regulations

Chair Piazza stated that the Board will need to sign a cover letter for the newly formed Recombinant DNA regulations that were approved at the last meeting and will so do at the October 5th meeting.

Health Agent Mr. Bill Brookings Report

Mr. Brookings stated that he has been contacted by the owner of 33 Mill Street Court for a housing inspection following up on a notice to correct. Mr. Brookings stated that the items requested to have corrected are complete and will go out to inspect to ensure the property is in compliance.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Hampson, LBOH Office Manager