

TOWN OF LANCASTER
BOARD OF HEALTH
Prescott Building Nashaway Meeting Room
February 20, 2019

Present: Stephen Piazza, Chair, John Farnsworth and John Ranieri

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

List of Documents:

- Agenda for February 20, 2019
- Lancaster's Abandoned Houses Initiative Target Properties Spreadsheet
- Issue Tracker

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM.

Discussion

- **2 Neck Road**-Norman Wendt, owner said his plans were to live in the house. He previously had a contractor who walked off with one third of the money for repairs. They are trying different avenues to obtain the money needed to finish the project. John Farnsworth said the Board should revisit this at a later date. The Board decided to have the owner give an update at the May 1, 2019 meeting.
- **28 Paine Road**-Patricia Boyle, owner gave an overview of the progress that has been made at her property. She said she spoke with Chairman Piazza when he performed a site visit about a week ago.
- **35 Holiday Lane-Irrigation Well Request**-Jill Natola came forward. Health Agent Bill Brookings informed the Board that there is an existing upgrade that was done. A new well was drilled. They want to use the old well for irrigation only. Chairman Piazza said a variance request to the Lancaster Board of Health Irrigation Well Regulations 5 is required. A recorded deed restriction indicating the existing well to be used only for irrigation, potable use is not allowed. A cross connection inspection is required prior to use of the irrigation well. The irrigation well must be labeled for irrigation use only, potable use not allowed. **John Farnsworth made a motion to accept the irrigation well as presented with the above requirements. John Ranieri seconded the motion. VOTE: 3-0-0.**
- **Sterling Road**-Victoria Petracca, Joe DEramo and Greg Jackson came forward. Ms. Petracca said there is concern with the location of the new 40B and Bestway. She talked about the noise being a public health issue and also that Bestway is an EPA tier 2 site. She asked the Board to write a letter to the Zoning Board of Appeals stating that there are some health concerns. Chairman Piazza said we don't have any data. He said this is something the Board might want to look into. The Board can't claim health risks they can only say this information has come before the Board. He said the Board can take this into advisement. He said they will talk to Michelle at DEP and get more information. Greg Jackson discussed lymes disease and tick issues. He said

there are too many people close to the wetlands. Chairman Piazza said they will try to see what the Board's options will be. This will be placed on the next agenda.

Permits

- **27/29 Mountain Laurel Lane**-David Sadowski came forward. Health Agent Bill Brookings said this had a failed report. The dbx needed to be replaced. The Board signed the permit.

Discussion continued

- **Abandoned Housing Initiative Update**-The Board went over the AHI spreadsheet.
- **Action Tracker**-There is no updates at this time.
- **Jones Crossing**-There is no update at this time.
- **57 Mill Street Ext. Apt 9 Housing Status**-Bill Brookings said they signed the return receipt card when we sent a letter so they have thirty days from now to take action.
- **Well Regulation Revisions**-The Board decided to have a Public Hearing at the next meeting to go over the proposed well location requirements offsets.

Permits

- **Form 9A & 9B Highfield Drive**-Bill Brookings said this is an upgrade that was previously approved and needs the Chairman's signature.
- **Pool Permits-Orchard Hill (2) & Perkins School**-The Board signed the three pool permits
- **137 Old County Road-Upgrade**-This was tabled until the next meeting.

Title 5 Inspection Reports

- **7 Highland Street – Pass**
- **469 Neck Road-Pass**
- **79 Poulin Drive-Pass**
- **310 Parker Road-Pass**
- **423 Langen Road-Pass**
- **79 Rigby Road-Pass**
- **616 Mill Street Ext**-has garbage grinder

Minutes

John Farnsworth made a motion to approve the minutes of January 9, 2019. John Ranieri seconded the motion. VOTE: 3-0-0.

General Business

Bill Brookings commented to put 19-59 Beach Ave on the AHI list.

The Board circulated the correspondence folder.

Adjourn

John Farnsworth made a motion to adjourn; John Ranieri seconded. VOTE: 3-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Debra Dennis, Lancaster Board of Health Office Manager