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**BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, February 13, 2019**

ATTENDEES: Elaine Wozny, RS, Chairwoman
Joan Searl, RN, Member
Deborah Kadar-Hull, RN, Member
Deborah Ketchen, Health Agent (Absent)
Claire Walsh, RN, Public Health Nurse
Lori Bentsen, Administrative Asst.

Meeting Open: 6:40 PM

AGENDA:

First item on the agenda is 18 Pandora Dr., 4 variance requests. Jim Scanlan, PE, Scanlan Engineering, LLC, Georgetown, MA was in attendance to discuss the specifics of each variance. Also present was homeowner Ken Walsh. Jim told the Board that this is a 3 bedroom dwelling with a brook in the back as well as wetlands across the street with 50 and 100 foot buffer zones. The present system is in the back and I am proposing moving the septic system to the front due to the brook in the back of the house. Jim said he wants to catch the existing pipe, connect to a new septic tank, new pump chamber and pump up to the distribution box and leach field which uses a Presby System. The variances requested are:

1. REGULATION: 310CMR15.102.212(1), REQUIRED: 4 feet to ESHGW Perc > 2 MIN/IN, PROVIDED: 2 feet to ESHGW W/PRESBY SYSTEM
2. REGULATION: 310CMR15.102(2), REQUIRED: A minimum of two (2) deep hole observations shall be performed in the presence of the approving authority, PROVIDED: One deep hole in primary area
3. REGULATION: 310CMR15.211(1), 20 foot setback between SAS and cellar wall, PROVIDED: 12 feet
4. GROVELAND BOARD OF HEALTH REGULATION B III 10(a), 100 foot minimum setback between SAS and wetlands, PROVIDED: 85+ feet

Searl made a motion to approve the 4 variances with the condition that another perc test be performed in the C1 horizon and the Board will address the revised plan design if necessary, Kadar-Hull seconded and it was a unanimous vote.

Second item on the agenda is 32 Center St., in-law apartment. The homeowners would like to do a 1 bedroom in-law apartment addition. There was no septic system information on this property. A Title 5 Inspection was performed on 12/31/18 by C. J. Jablonski Septic Inspection & Repair, 237 Merrimac St.,

Newburyport, MA and the system passed all criteria. It is believed the existing system is 50+ years old. Wozny stated that according to Title 5 Regulation 310CMR15.002 New Construction, a new septic system would need to be installed to be in compliance. Wozny also noted that there is a discrepancy between the town assessor listing 4 bedrooms in the house and the Title 5 Inspection Report stating 3 bedrooms. Wozny stated the Board needs to know the actual number of bedrooms in the existing house before they can make a decision. Searl asked Lori to invite the homeowners to attend the next board meeting.

Next item on the agenda is Public Health Nurse update. Claire told the Board she finally spoke to Lionel White at the DPH on January 3rd. Claire said she received information in the mail regarding MAVEN on January 24. With this information Claire said she went on line and she said it was very difficult because there weren't any clear instructions as to how to follow the MAVEN program and Claire said for the past 2 weeks she has contacted Lionel with no response back. Wozny said to Claire that she wanted to make sure Claire has complied with the Ethics Commission issues and Claire said she believes so. Claire said the only question she has is if any documents need to be signed by the Selectmen. Wozny said she didn't think so because Massachusetts General Law states that Boards of Health have exclusive authority to hire and fire their employees. The Board said as long as we are in compliance with the four (4) ethics issues, we should be good. Claire asked the Board if she could hold her blood pressure clinics on the third Friday of each month in the health department office 9:00 – 11:00 AM. Claire said she felt it would be better for privacy to comply with Hippa Laws. The Board said they approved and asked Claire to ask the director of the COA to place a notice in the COA monthly newsletter.

The last item on the agenda is review minutes for approval. Kadar-Hull made a motion to approve meeting minutes of December 13, 2018, Searl seconded and it was a unanimous vote.

Searl said she wanted to discuss an issue which just came up. Searl said that the homeowner at 6 Graeme Way called her to inquire about adding an in-law apartment. Searl told the Board that she came into the office and asked Lori to pull the septic system plan and Searl said this system is designed for four (4) bedrooms and the homeowner told her he has four (4) bedrooms in the house. Searl told the Board that this system is designed for 110 gallons per day per bedroom which is the state regulation, therefore, he cannot add any bedrooms.

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Meeting adjourned: 7:58 PM

Next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2019

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