

Minutes Approved: _____

***BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
June 15, 2009***

The Board of Health met at 7:00 pm at the Ritter Administration Building

Present: Chairman George Emond, Members Ernie Sund, David Shea, Perry Jewel and Jack Rabbitt

TITLE 5 INSPECTION REPORTS REVIEWED:

241 Reservoir Road
50 Hemlock Drive

SEPTIC PERMITS SIGNED:

40 Hemlock Drive
43 West Street

40 HEMLOCK DRIVE – VARIANCE REQUEST

John and Judy Male, owners of the property met with the board. They would like to upgrade their current septic system. This is a small waterfront lot on Hickory Hills Lake serviced by public water. The land available for a system is limited. The designer has maximized the offset to the existing wetland. Mr. & Mrs. Male are requesting offset variances from wetland as follows:

1. Title 5 local upgrade approval - Setback from wetland from fifty (50) feet to forty-two (42) feet;
2. Lunenburg Board of Health Regulation Article IV, Section 2 – offset from wetland from one hundred (100) feet to forty-two (42) feet.

Agent Jim Garreffi has reviewed the plan as submitted and has stated that since the only alternative would be a tight tank, he has no objection to the variance request being approved.

Abbuter, Mr. David Haughland was also present at the meeting and expressed concerns as to odor that might emit from the “candy cane” vent. He was assured there would be no odor. Abutter accepted assurances and no further objections were voiced.

After discussion and on motion by Sund and second by Shea, the request for variances was unanimously approved.

43 WEST STREET TERRACE – VARIANCE REQUEST

Neil Gorman met with the board to discuss the above property. Mr. Gorman is requesting variances to upgrade the existing septic system on this property. The lot is small and narrow. The house sits on the widest portion of the lot. There is also a high water table.

Mr. Gorman is seeking a reduction in the groundwater offset for 4 feet to 3 feet. Because the lot is small, this reduction will help keep the breakout fill from crossing lot lines and allow the applicant to minimize surface run-off by re-grading the site.

After discussion and on motion by Shea and second by Sund, the request for variances was unanimously approved.

LYME DISEASE DISCUSSION – KURT HAYES

Mr. Hayes met with the board to discuss an upcoming presentation on Lyme disease that is being held at the Lunenburg Public Library on July 30th. Mr. Hayes began his involvement because his son contracted Lyme disease and was misdiagnosed.

The group giving the presentation is Lymelite. Lymelite is doing public forums to educate the public on Lyme disease and garner support for possible new legislation.

After discussion, the board offered Mr. Hayes their support and whatever assistance he might need.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

69 ISLAND ROAD – BILL HANNIGAN

Bill Hannigan, along with Nat from his office, met with the board to discuss the redesign of the septic system on the above property. The structure on this property is going to be torn down and a new structure built. Currently, there is a three bedroom septic permit that is dated September 18, 2006. Mr. Hannigan advised that the owner would like to redesign the septic system to a Presby system. This change would include a two foot offset to groundwater but would eliminate the need for a pump tank, barrier and retaining wall. He advised that it would also cost significantly less.

After discussion the board advised that they would be open to a redesign of the system. This matter can be set for discussion again on July 20, 2009 at 7:15 pm.

Having no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.