



# *Tyngsborough Board of Health*

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## **Board of Health Meeting Minutes** **May 9, 2011**

**Members Present:** Frederick Wendt, Christopher Mellen, Bernadette Harper  
**Also Present:** Kerri C. Oun – Health Agent, Matt Waterman – Landtech Consultant

### **Meeting Opened**

**6:08 P.M.** Meeting Opened  
**CM:** Motion to open meeting  
**BH:** 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion  
**Voting**            **Yes – 3**            **Opposed – 0**

**6:09 P.M.** Minutes presented from the April 11, 2011 meeting  
**CM:** Motion to approve the minutes from March 14, 2011 as presented  
**BH:** 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion  
**Voting**            **Yes – 3**            **Opposed – 0**

### **Agenda Items**

**6:10 P.M.**     **271 Westford Road** – Jeff Hannaford of Norse Design Services request variance for the proposed septic disposal system at 271 Westford Road. Variance requested to

- reduce the separation from the bottom of leach field to high ground water elevation from 4' to 3'
- use a previous perc test result from 1993.

Property was in foreclosure and located in the corner of Chestnut and Westford Road. According to Matt Waterman, deep holes and percolation tests are valid for five (5) years but due to high groundwater conditions present during his most recent site evaluation, he recommends the approval of the use of the 1993 perc test result. He is also comfortable with the new system.

**CM:** Motion to grant variance contingent upon the condition set forth by Matt Waterman's letter dated April 29, 2011.

**BH:** 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

**Vote:**            **Yes – 3**            **Opposed – 0**

### **6:20 1 Colorado Drive**

Owner called today and tried to get on the agenda but due to time constraint and the fact that they have not submitted any plan or letter to BOH, they were advised not to come in. Mr.

Waterman said the system is a new technology and he needs to review and look at the paperwork before he could make any recommendations.

**6:30 PM Planning Grant for a new Health District**

Health Agent has attended first meeting for the planning grant in Lowell and has reported the following:

- The planning grant has been awarded and is good until Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>
- grant will be used to hire grant writer for implementation grant (2<sup>nd</sup> part of the grant)
- Tewksbury and Chelmsford showed interest in being part of the Health District
- Lowell will act as lead agency
- Law: w/ confirmed and suspected TB cases – BOH provide nurse case manager
- Share public health nursing: TB, communicable disease and Obesity education.
- Town will have to go on MAVEN (**Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN)**) - a new web-based disease surveillance and case management system that enables MDPH and local health to capture and transfer appropriate public health, laboratory, and clinical data efficiently and securely over the Internet in real-time.
- If approved, BOH members need to be certified within 1 year of receiving implementation grant – maybe waiver

**6:35 PM Budget**

Michael Gilleberto T. A. has informed the Board of Health that the Finance Committee is looking to cut \$20,000 from the trash and recycling budget. CM asked if the Town should be picking up yard waste because most properties have big backyard where yard waste can be emptied into. Health Agent did comment that BOH has received numerous calls regarding yard waste pick-up.

**6:40 PM Stonehedge Inn**

Board of Health will meet at Stonehedge Inn at 7:00 PM with Peter White of Aquatime to inspect the pool and spa.

**6:45 P.M. Meeting Adjourned**

**BH:** Motioned to adjourn.

**CM:** 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

**Voting Yes – 3 Opposed - 0**

Respectfully submitted for the Board of Health

Kerri C. Oun

Health Agent