

Harvard Board of Health Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 26, 2016
Hildreth House

Board Members present: Lorin Johnson, Sharon McCarthy; Thomas Philippou, Chairman

Also present: Marie Sobalvarro, Ira Grossman (NABH), Vicki Bilafer (Clerk)

Mr. Philippou called this meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Discussion – Town Hall Renovation

Marie Sobalvarro, Assistant Town Administrator, asked for a second variance request for carpeting due to the Town Hall renovation. The carpeting needs to be extended into the old meeting room and cable TV area because some tiles were removed in error and hatches to the basement need to be covered. There will still be linoleum in the hallway and at entrance of back door.

Mr. Philippou made a motion to approve the reconfiguration of the new carpeting. Mr. Johnson seconded; voted, aye, unanimous.

Discussion – 25 Depot Road

Routine sampling of neighboring wells showed contamination only at 28 Lovers Lane which triggered a mitigation release notification. Mr. Grossman said that they are supposed to retest but has not seen anything related to a follow-up test yet.

The bore holes for the geothermal system have not been drilled yet, but this should not affect it and may yield additional information.

Discussion – 104 Bolton Road; Still River Winery

The Board reviewed draft of the deed restriction and worked on the wording. Ira offered to approach Al Barbieri about Mr. Philippou's concern that the standard language indicates a perpetual agreement while this one is with the current owners and their operation only.

Old Business

- Update on abandoned house at 275 Ayer Road – Mr. Grossman sent a letter to request that Mr. Hirsch attend the next BOH meeting.
- Arsenic and Uranium in Well Water – Ms. McCarthy attended the recent Water Systems Study Committee meeting in which John Coleman of the USGS, author of the Arsenic and Uranium study and mapping in the Harvard area, gave a presentation. The town committee is using this study to find location for new town well. Ms. McCarthy would like to invite Ted Moran, a geologist and member of the Water Systems Study Committee to come in and do a talk with the BOH. The board discussed ways to convey the information to town residents. Mr. Philippou reminded the Board that the new information had been made available to the residents through the updated links on the Board's area on the Town's web-site. Mr. Grossman said that he recently received a fact sheet on Arsenic in the mail from the state.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Philippou moved to accept the minutes of January 12, 2015, as amended. Ms. McCarthy seconded; voted, aye, unanimous.

Permits

- Waste Not – Waste Hauler permit, approved
- Waste Management of MA, Inc. – Waste Hauler permit, approved

Adjournment

Mr. Philippou moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Ms. McCarthy seconded; voted, aye, unanimous.

The next scheduled board meeting is Tuesday, February 23, 2016.

Respectfully submitted, Vicki Bilafer, Clerk