

NORTH ATTLEBORO BOARD OF HEALTH

Meeting Minutes of
January 26, 2010 6:00 pm

In Attendance: Don Bates, Chairman; John Donohue Jr., Jonathan Maslen, Members; Agents: Rob Casper and Robert Davis

Visitors: Walter Raudonis, Manager of In Town Mobile Home Park; Brian S. Lane of Walpole and Joseph Beaulieu Jr. of Fairhaven, MA , Larry Tilton from Tilton & Associates; Helen Heblski and Joe Lombardi representing Intoccia Realty Trust.

Chairman Don Bates opened the meeting at 6:03 PM.

LICENSES:

Walter Raudonis came before the Board to answer the Members' questions regarding his application for a Mobile Home Park license due to change of ownership.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to grant a Mobile Home Park license to Walter Raudonis for the In-Town Mobile Home Park at 633 East Washington Street, North Attleboro, MA. Seconded: Mr. Maslen. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

Brian Lane came before the Board to answer the Members' questions regarding his application for a Title V System Inspector license.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to grant a Title V System Inspector license to Brian Lane of Walpole, MA. Seconded: Mr. Maslen. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

Joseph Beaulieu Jr. came before the Members to answer questions regarding his application for a Retail Food license to participate in the winter farmers' market.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to grant a Retail Food license to Joseph Beaulieu Jr. Farms of Fairhaven, MA to sell prepackaged beef at the Winter Farmers Market. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

CHRISTINA ESTATES-WELL PERMITS:

Larry Tilton came before the Members seeking approval to install two private wells at lot 19 and lot 20 within Christina Estates. Mr. Tilton explained that these are for the first two houses in this new subdivision. The homes are built and have septic systems but won't be connected to the town's public water for a while yet. Mr. Tilton answered the Members' questions and discussion ensued.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to grant well permits to Cumberland Associates Realty Trust for lot 19 & lot 20 On Delphis Monast Jr. Way in Christina Estates. Seconded: Mr. Maslen. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

8 REMINGTON DRIVE:

Helen Heblski came before the Members representing Intoccia Realty Trust with respect to the Department's Order to Correct multiple minimum housing violations at 8 Remington Drive. Ms. Heblski reported that she has met with the tenant and been informed that the family will be moving out of the home on February 12th. Ms. Heblski produced a written statement to the same effect signed by the tenant and asked the Members to grant the owner an extension of time to fully address the violations after it becomes vacant. In the discussion that followed, Mr. Davis suggested the open foundation hole violations should be corrected as soon as possible, with a safety fence placed around it immediately.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to waive the time requirements of the various violations cited until February 15th and allow Intoccia Realty Trust to start on the corrections at that time, with a reinspection required before anyone moves back into the dwelling. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. In the discussion that followed, Mr. Bates asked the Intoccia representatives to return to the Board with an update on the status of the corrections required on February 23rd, and Ms Heblski agreed to do so. After further discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

After the motion, the Chairman discussed the company's two bad checks for Christina Estates perc tests that the Department has been trying to collect for over a year. Ms. Heblski agreed to produce a \$600 bank check from the company the following morning and see that it is hand-delivered to the office tomorrow.

HEALTH AGENT'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2009:

Mr. Casper presented his report for the month of December 2009 and answered the Members' questions. In the discussion, Mr. Maslen reported that the town's sewer plant cannot add anymore capacity and MDEP will not allow any new sewer connections for any subdivisions in North Attleboro where there is not already municipal sewer service until 2030.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to accept the Health Agent's Monthly Report for December 2009. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

Mr. Casper was given the DPW recommendations for revisions to the Town's Septic Regulations and the model well regulations just received and was asked to review and comment on them for the Board's February 9th meeting.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the January 12th meeting have yet to be prepared because the Livescribe Smartpen that has been recording the Board's meetings for transcription is not working due to glitch in an annual nationwide software upgrade by the company. Several attempts have been made to fix the glitch, but all have been unsuccessful thus far. If not fixed before the next meeting, Mr. Davis will try to produce minutes for the January 12th meeting from notes and memory. Whenever the problem can be fixed after that, the actual minutes can be recovered from the Livescribe recorder and reconstructed if necessary.

COMMERCIAL WASTE HAULING REGULATION:

Mr. Maslen, Mr. Davis and Michele Bernier have each been working on revisions to the present Hauling Regulations in order to bring the generators and haulers into compliance with the current solid waste issues. The Members were invited to review the most current draft of those revisions and add whatever suggestions and contributions they wish before a final draft is produced. It was agreed that, when ready, all currently licensed trash haulers should be notified of the proposed revisions and invited to comment themselves. Ultimately, the Members agreed that a public meeting on the proposed regulation should be held for final input prior to promulgation.

JANUARY 2010 H1N1 CLINIC:

Public Health Nurse, Anne Marie Fleming has been working diligently to prepare for the Department's January 30, 2010 Flu Clinic and EDS exercise. Unlike the January 2nd clinic, all the supplies for the clinic will be staged at the High School on Friday afternoon rather than brought there the morning of the exercise. The reduced number of citizens expected will allow Ms. Fleming to try a variation of the previous set-ups that will contain all public functions within the High School's gymnasium only. A press release for the clinic has gone out to the Sun Chronicle, the Free Press and North TV and once again, all members of the Board of Selectmen will be personally invited to attend.

EDS TRAILER:

Mr. Maslen has picked up the Department's new EDS trailer himself, taken it to his home, and assembled and installed two shelving units for the inside. In addition, Mr. Maslen described additional improvements he plans to make to the trailer, including one that will contain all the odd-shaped stanchions and chains to be placed inside it. Further, the Fire Department has generously offered to store the trailer inside at the Allen Avenue Station whenever it is finally set up and stocked with the Department's EDS supplies.

COMPLAINT LOG:

145 Broad Street apt. #7

The bathroom ceiling dropped on the tenant living at 145 Broad Street apt. #7 after repeated requests to the landlord to fix the problem. The owner has been given an Order to Correct the violation.

NAIL SALONS:

Mr. Donohue advised that he is available to resume nail salon inspections with Mr. Davis.

FINES:

Members discussed the Court Magistrate sending the wrong message to the violators when/if he waives their fines because they finally came into compliance after hours of Health Department work to get them to do so.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Summer Intern

The submission date to request Massachusetts Department of Public Health summer intern has been extended and Mr. Davis hopes to submit a request for this summer's program accordingly.

CDC-EDS Planning Group

The group for the CDC-EDS Planning workshop has been put together and will consist of all three Board of Health Members, Ms. Fleming, Chief Lamb, Mark Fisher, Keith Mueller, a Regional Emergency Planner and Mr. Davis.

January 2, 2010 Clinic

Mr. Davis played a photo disk of the January 2nd exercise for the Members, put together by one of the senior volunteers.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, a **MOTION** was made by Mr. Donohue to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 PM. Seconded: Mr. Maslen. No further discussion, motion passes 3-0.