

Meeting Minutes
Special Session
July 15, 2002

Board of Health Members Present:

Dr. Susan Horowitz, Chairman; Matthew Waterman

Others Present:

Robert Overton, R.S.; Debra Butcher

Meeting Called to Order:

Dr. Horowitz called the meeting to order at 8:15 am.

Permits Signed/Approved:

- *623 Townsend Road; Clora Hunter
- *61 Old Orchard Lane; Matt Mitrano

Bills Signed/Approved:

- *Transfer Station refund: Susan Hess-\$60.00
- *BFI-\$6375.85
- *ApparelMaster-\$64.40
- *Covanta-\$8279.70
- *Metrowest Handling Sales Co. -\$3000.
- *Evans on the Common-\$204.00
- *Construction Craftsmen-\$3000.

Minutes:

The Board approved the minutes of June 10, 2002 as written.

138 Hayden Road: Present: Michael Babin, owner

Chairman Horowitz stated that the Board was asked to conduct an emergency meeting in order that a septic permit be issued to the homeowner. Dr. Horowitz stated that she had received a phone call last week in which she learned that the septic system was in hydraulic failure and was asked if the Board could issue the homeowner a permit to repair the system. She said she asked Mr. Overton to prepare a timeline on the permit request for the meeting.

Mr. Overton stated the following timeline:

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| May 20, 2002 | - | An application for soil testing was received by Nashoba. |
| June 5, 2002 | - | Soil testing completed with the engineer of record. |
| June 21, 2002 | - | Plan submitted to Nashoba. |
| June 25, 2002 | - | Review form sent back to engineer. |
| Week of July 8, 2002 | - | Conversation with homeowner that the Board could possibly conduct a special meeting during the week of July 15, 2002. |
| July 11, 2002 | - | Final Plan received at Nashoba. Noted variances needed on plan. |

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Mr. Overton stated that he expedited the plan as quickly as possible, however, the final plan did not arrive at Nashoba until July 11, 2002.

Mr. Overton stated that actual bedrooms for this property is three, however, the design plan was for four bedrooms. He said that the plan as designed did not meet state code due to the increase in flow criteria. He stated that he obtained the Assessor's card and verified the bedroom count. Mr. Overton also stated that abutters' notices must be completed prior to any approval to variances.

Mr. Overton stated that he had advised Mr. Babin to pump his septic system often and to refrain from overuse of water (i.e. using bottled water and outside laundry service).

Chairman Horowitz asked what size tank was currently serving the property and if regular pumping was occurring. Mr. Babin stated there was a 500 gallon tank. Mr. Babin stated that the system overflows regularly requiring RJ Lacombe Septic Service to pump it every two weeks. He felt that his family was subjected to a critical health risk and that the Board needed to relieve him of it.

Mr. Overton stated that the plan met Tilte 5 except for the design flow. He suggested that a possible short term resolution would be to purchase a 1500 gallon tank and have it installed immediately, thus reducing the number of pumping times, therefore, using it as a tight tank for the immediate future.

After a brief discussion, Dr. Horowitz recommended that Mr. Overton contact the engineer of record within 24 hours to review the plan. She said that as soon as the necessary paperwork has been completed (i.e. assessor's abutters list & plan) was obtained, another emergency meeting would be scheduled. Mr. Babin was reluctant to do work piecemeal. He wanted to put everything out to bid at the same time.

The Board took no further action.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Chairman Horowitz to adjourn at 8:47 am. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Approval:

Dr. Susan Horowitz, Chairman

Jodi Deuger

Matthew Waterman

Respectfully Submitted,
Debra A. Butcher