

Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2003

Board of Health Members Present:

Dr. Susan Horowitz, Chairman; Jodi Deuger, Matthew Waterman

Others Present:

Ben Cutone, R.S., Debra Butcher

Meeting Called to Order:

Chairman Horowitz called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Minutes: The Board approved the minutes of February 10, 2003 as amended. The Board approved the minutes of February 24, 2003 as written.

Permits Approved/Signed:

None

Bills Approved/Signed:

- *Advance Security Systems \$109.98
- *Broadmeadow Sign-\$95.00
- *Groton Herald-\$45.00
- *Airgas-\$183.05
- *Moison Ace Hardware-\$246.01
- *CCP Industries-\$39.88
- *Ayer Auto Parts-\$115.99
- *ApparelMaster-\$77.28
- *Groton Electric Light-\$235.43
- *Groton Electric Light-\$7.08
- *Groton Electric Light-\$71.92
- *Belmont Springs-\$27.00
- *Shattuck Oil-\$101.50
- *Shattuck Oil-\$195.20
- *Covanta-\$5868.78

Moose Trail – Map & Parcel 139-48

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The engineer rescheduled the hearing because abutters' notices were not sent out. The hearing was rescheduled for March 24, 2003. The Board took no action.

Chestnut Hill at Brooks Orchard

Dr. Horowitz asked that the Board of Health's comments to the Selectmen be revised because of the known arsenic levels on the site. The Board of Health's comments sent to the Selectmen indicated that the Board of Health had no comments. She felt this was incorrect.

She stated that the Highway Department had requested use of the top soil for the proposed new fire station. Member Matthew Waterman stated that any use of the soil should first be reviewed by a Licensed Site Professional and not to be removed from the site before an assessment was conducted. Member Jodi Deuger agreed and stated that the Highway Dept. shouldn't be trucking soil away with possible contamination.

After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to revise their comments and state that the Board of Health is aware of

the arsenic issues but based on the risk assessment already conducted, there were no comments. The Board requested that the following comments be included:

- *Any further use of the site should require further assessment.
- *No soil should be removed from the site without further assessment.
- *Location of where materials are going should be provided to the Board of Health.

Shaw's Supermarket – Present: George Dimakarakos, Stamsky & McNary; Robert Lacombe, Sr., Robert Lacombe, Jr., Dennis Lacombe, Chuck Resevick, Aquapoint, Inc.

The Board listened to a presentation from Mr. Resevick on the Bioclere system proposed for the Boston Road Marketplace. Mr. Resevick stated that the system is cited as an effective way to treat onsite wastewater from organic and nutrient concentrations and is accepted by the N.E. Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission for trickling filters. He provided a brochure for the Board to review.

Health Agent Ben Cutone stated that he spoke with DEP and determined that the site was not in a DEP-approved Zone II area and was under a general use approval process. Discussion continued regarding the septic permitting.

Member Matthew Waterman requested that the system be tested quarterly for PH, BOD, TSS, and TKN and that quarterly testing shall continue on the system unless Shaw's request to deviate from that testing schedule. He recommended that conditions be placed on the permit with breakdowns of the components for nitrogen, i.e. nitrites, nitrates, and ammonia.

Member Jodi Deuger asked Mr. Cutone who would receive the reports. Mr. Cutone stated that because of the general use approval, reports would go to the local Board of Health office.

Mr. Cutone stated that he would draw up the permit for the next meeting and include the conditions discussed. The Board took no further action.

Other Business:

Well Regulations

The Board requested the following changes:

Section IV. Well Construction/Deconstruction Permit

ADD:

9. *Any new dwelling constructed on property with a lot line within 500 feet of a water main must be connected to a municipal water supply system.*
10. *Applicant must secure a letter from the Municipal Water Supply System that no public water is available within 500 feet of a lot line prior to securing a well permit.*

Section VI. Well Location and Use Requirements

Insert:

Minimum lateral/circumferential distance(s)

Septic Regulations

The Board requested the following changes:

Section E. Distance Requirements

Add to (1) ... at least one hundred (100) feet circumferentially from the nearest wetland, water course, wetland vegetation, seasonal streams and drainage ditches.

Add: Section M. Appeal

Any person aggrieved by the final decision of the Board may seek relief therefrom within thirty (30) days in any court of competent jurisdiction, as provided by the laws of this Commonwealth.

Member Jodi Deuger made a motion to send the amendments to Town Counsel for review. The motion was approved unanimously.

Transfer Station Regulations

Member Waterman updated the Board on discussions on the proposed Transfer Station regulations. He provided copies of the draft version. He stated that the Recycling Committee would like to include a definitions page as well.

Boutwell School

Mr. Cutone stated that building balancing was completed. He also reported that the latest round of Night Hawk detector readings were "0".

Water Bottling Operation

The Board received a letter from Mr. Downes stating that he has ceased operation of his water bottling activity. Mr. Cutone stated that he would continue to monitor the situation with the Department of Public Health.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

GROTON BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. Susan Horowitz

Jodi Deuger, Member

Matthew Waterman, Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Debra A. Butcher