

TOWN OF GROTON

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MEETING MINUTES

January 3, 2005

Town Hall, Groton, Massachusetts

Board of Health Members Present:

Dr. Susan Horowitz, Chairman; Matthew Waterman; Dr. Robert Hanninen

Others Present:

Ben Cutone, R.S. (*recorded the minutes*)

Meeting Called to Order:

Chairman Horowitz called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Permits Approved/Signed:

None

Bills Approved/Signed:

- *WB Mason-\$93.04
- *Advance Security Systems-\$18.33
- *Belmont Springs-\$29.35
- *Casey & Dupuis-\$71.29
- *Groton Electric Light Dept.-\$137.08
- *Groton Electric Light Dept.-\$36.39
- *Groton Electric Light Dept.-\$6.97
- *New England Baling Wire-\$693.84
- *Shattuck Oil-\$174.23
- *Shattuck Oil-\$72.71
- *East Coast Electronics-\$585.00

106 Peabody Street: Present: Alan Hoch, owner; Gerald Gingras, 368 Old Ayer Road

The hearing was continued from December 20, 2004.

Mr. Gingras reported that the Groton School ran the cleaning business from the property. Chairman Horowitz requested the history of the cleaning business and whether the Groton School actually ran it. Mr. Hoch requested that the Groton School be present at the next meeting to clear up the matter. The

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Board of Health requested that Health Agent Ben Cutone conduct a site walk on the property

to determine if there was any evidence of a cleaning business. Dr. Horowitz mentioned that several long time residents of the town confirmed that a cleaning business existed. Mr. Hoch requested records of those conversations. The Board of Health continued the hearing to February. No action was taken. *A copy of the Assessors' card is attached for the record.*

366 Lost Lake Drive: Present: Lawrence Johnson, owner

Mr. Johnson reported that he received the Mr. Cutone's order letter to correct several violations on his property and he has agreed to comply with the order. He requested additional time to comply. The Board was satisfied that Mr. Johnson was making an effort to clean up his property and ordered that a status report be given by February 21, 2005 from Health Agent Ben Cutone.

Dan Wolfe, abutter, requested that no harsh enforcement be given to Mr. Johnson but wanted to see the property corrected.

The Board continued the meeting to February 21, 2005 in order to receive a status report.

447 Nashua Road: Present: Jack Lorden, owner

Mr. Lorden requested approval from the Board to allow a deed restriction for a bedroom count in order to construct an addition on his home. He currently has a three bedroom house and the home would remain only three bedrooms.

The Board of Health unanimously approved the request allowing for a deed restriction for a three bedroom.

Surrenden Farm: Present: Donald Cooper, Robert Orsi; David Doneski

The hearing was recorded by a stenographer hired by the applicant, Newbury Street Development.

Chairman Horowitz stated that member Matthew Waterman needed to attend another meeting but would return by 8:35pm.

Chairman Horowitz stated that the meeting was called in order that the Board of Health could vote on sending the consultants for both Surrenden Farm and the Town the questions and the answers to the questions to the Department of Environmental Protection for their response.

Member Waterman returned to the meeting.

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Attorney Cooper stated that new material was submitted to Newbury Street Development by Member Hanninen. He stated that adding a questions was not in the "rules" that both parties agreed to. He stated that the questions were finalized two months ago and they didn't agree with the question as it was formulated. He stated that the Board should submit the question under a separate letter as a separate question. He stated that his client received the changes in the position statement today and didn't have a chance to review it fully.

Member Hanninen had no problem with submitting his question that way. He said he wanted

to move forward with the process. Member Waterman agreed.

Attorney David Doneski felt that it was acceptable by all parties, it would be fine with him.

Discussion continued concerning the position statements and revisions to the applicant's version. Attorney Cooper urged the Board to vote to get the questions sent to DEP. Member Waterman made a motion to submit to the DEP the vote of the Board, the questions that have been formulated by the consultants and the respective position statements. The motion was seconded by Member Hanninen and approved unanimously.

Chairman Horowitz stated that the process should have been completed by Thanksgiving and Surrenden's consultants were a month late than originally envisioned. She said that there were no changes in the position statement, only new information discovered by our consultants. Attorney Doneski stated that the revisions was information on the naturally occurring presence of arsenic.

OTHER BUSINESS

Minutes: The minutes of December 6, 2004 were approved.

FY06 Budget: The Board tabled discussion.

Next January Board of Health Meeting: The Board agreed to meet on Tuesday, January 18, 2005.

GROTON BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. Susan Horowitz
Chairman

Matthew Waterman

Robert Hanninen

Respectfully Submitted,
Ben Cutone