

**MEETING MINUTES**  
***Approved***  
**December 18, 2006**  
**Town Hall, Groton, Massachusetts**

Board of Health Members Present:

Jason Weber, Chairman; Robert Hanninen; Dr. Susan Horowitz

Others Present:

Debra Butcher

Meeting Called to Order:

Chairman Weber called the meeting to order at 7:25pm.

Minutes:

The regular session minutes of October 16, 2006, November 6, 2006, November 20, 2006 & December 4, 2006 were approved as written. The Executive Session minutes of December 4, 2006 were approved and not to be released.

Bills Approved/Signed:

- \*Airgas-\$25.50
- \*Verizon (SW)-\$17.97
- \*Verizon Long Distance (SW)-\$.11
- \*ZEP Manufacturing-\$231.85
- \*Container Recycling Alliance-\$553.00
- \*Covanta-\$6,366.22
- \*E.L. Harvey-\$6,597.36
- \*Verizon (BOH)-\$37.08
- \*Verizon Long Distance (BOH)-\$.25
- \*Clean Harbors-\$1,161.00
- \*UMass Medical-\$1,625.00

Septic Permits Approved/Signed:

- \*Pepperell Road; Lot 2; Barney Blood
- \*52 Wharton Row; Lot 1; Meetingway Corporation
- \*42 Wharton Row; Lot 2; Meetingway Corporation
- \*Reedy Meadow Road; Lot 1; Orchard Realty Trust
- \*Reedy Meadow Road; Lot 2; Orchard Realty Trust
- \*Cardinal Lane; Lot 10; Fox Meadow Realty Corporation
- \*Robin Hill Road; Lot 37; Fox Meadow Realty Corporation
- \*Cherry Tree Lane; Lot 51; Landwest, Inc.
- \*145 Hayden Road; Daniel & Rebecca Edwin
- \*Cardinal Lane; Lot 12; Fox Meadow Realty Corporation
- \*Cardinal Lane; Lot 11; Fox Meadow Realty Corporation
- \*Robin Hill Road; Lot 36B; Fox Meadow Realty Corporation

- \*80 Forge Village Road; Estate of Marie Caples

The Board had questions on whether this property still maintained a kennel or had another business use and whether they could restrict the sewage disposal permit to two bedrooms. Debra Butcher will contact the owner and have them at the next meeting to discuss the use of the property.

### Lyme Disease Discussion – Joint Meeting with Board of Selectmen

The Selectmen requested that the Board of Health meet with them on cable television and provide information for preventative measures for residents and their pets. Dr. Horowitz spoke about products on the market that prevent the spread of the disease from deer ticks.

### OTHER BUSINESS

#### 5 Ridge Road Present: Evan Owen

Mr. Owen requested time on the Board's agenda in order that he provide a status update on his property. He stated that several dumpster loads were removed from the site and that it would be fully completed by Thursday, December 21, 2006.

Member Horowitz was pleased that Mr. Owen provided a compliance date and advised him to contact Health Agent Ben Cutone for his inspection. She stated that the Board would wait to hear Mr. Cutone's report at their next meeting. She stated that she would like to see this resolved before weather conditions prohibit further removal.

Chairman Weber requested that the Selectmen be updated that Mr. Owen is making a good faith effort in the clean up of his property.

#### FY08 Budgets: Board of Health & Solid Waste Present: Bruce Dubey

The Board conducted a working session on the FY08 budgets. The Board voted unanimously to support funding in the budget for a new backhoe and repairs to the baler shed.

#### 2006 Annual Town Report

Debra Butcher presented the Board of Health's 2006 Annual Town Report. The Board voted unanimously to submit the report as written.

#### Groton Dunstable Regional School District

Dr. Horowitz requested that the Board have a discussion on why the school district continue to employ MicroWaters for the remediation at Florence Roche School and why didn't they communicate with the Board of Health. After a brief discussion, the Board felt that they had no control over who the School District hires. Dr. Horowitz will speak with School Committee member Berta Erickson.

#### Worcester Regional Medical Reserve

The Board felt that information from the Worcester Regional Medical Reserve Corps needed to be forwarded to William Shute of L.E.P.C.

#### ANR Regulation Public Hearing

The Board voted unanimously to hold a public hearing on January 16, 2007 at 7:30pm for the proposed Regulation for Development of Non-Subdivision Lots and Commercial Properties.

#### Executive Session

Chairman Weber moved to enter into Executive Session at 10:15pm in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 39, Section 23B for the purpose of discussing strategy with respect to litigation and will not reconvene into Open Session thereafter.

ROLL CALL VOTE: R. Hanninen-Yes; S. Horowitz-Yes; J. Weber-Yes.

GROTON BOARD OF HEALTH

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Jason Weber, Chairman

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Robert Hanninen

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Dr. Susan Horowitz

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debra A. Butcher