

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH
July 28, 2011

The West Amwell Township Board of Health met on the above date.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice Chair Kropp declared the meeting in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was included in the Resolution faxed to the Hunterdon County Democrat and Trenton Times on January 28, 2011, was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on said date and has remained continuously posted as required under the Statute. A copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Present: Richard Kropp, Tom Molnar, George Fisher, Zach Rich (7:45), and Jim Cally. Absent: Ken Hart, Wendy Williams. Public in attendance included Dave Santawasso and Brian Funari

The order of business was changed. Mr. Cally is a full voting member this evening.

AGENDA REVIEW: Nothing was added.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC/TOPIC NOT ON THE AGENDA: No one came forward.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND/OR PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

NEW BUSINESS:

Refund Resolution –

BOH RESOLUTION #09-2011

WHEREAS, the BOH established a policy regarding the refund of STW fees, and

WHEREAS, the policy states that

1. the second day has to be cancelled by the end of the first day of testing with a call to the secretary
2. an administration fee of \$50.00 would be deducted from the refund OR
3. credit would be given for another testing date scheduled within 30 days on same Block and Lot, and

WHEREAS, this policy was further amended to apply the administrative fee to all subsequent days cancelled in line with the established guidelines, and

WHEREAS, the following applicant meets the above qualifications for second and/or subsequent-day refund minus the administration fee

| BLOCK/LOT | NAME | AMOUNT |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| 21/12 | Heritage Engineers (Mostifazadeh) | \$300.00 |
| 8/34.02 | Scoggins/Nowick | \$300.00 |

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the West Amwell Township Board of Health that the aforementioned applicant(s) receive a second and/or subsequent day refund in the amount stated above.

The resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Fisher, seconded by Molnar.

Request for Waiver – Block 18 Lot 8 – Dave Santawasso came forward on behalf of Kurt Hoffman; explained that the existing system is inadequate; and, reviewed the plan. The septic design has been approved by the County but a waiver is needed as the zone of treatment is above the water table. Everything else is in conformance.

BOH RESOLUTION #10-2011

WHEREAS, a septic system alteration request has been referred to the Township Board of Health for Block 18 Lot 8; and

WHEREAS, a waiver and approval is requested for the following:

1. The highest regional water table is at 18 inches which is greater than the maximum allowed by code of 24 inches from grade. The design will still have a minimum of 48 inches of separate from the regional water table and the proposed level of infiltration.

WHEREAS, the design shows a mounded pressure dose installation; and

WHEREAS, this is an alteration to a malfunctioning system with no expansion, the Board can consider approving the waiver request under 7:9A-3.3(d)2 as the proposed alteration is closer to being in conformance with this chapter than the original components

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the West Amwell Township Board of Health that the waiver requested in 1 above and listed in the County's letter of July 20, 2011 be granted

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Hunterdon County Health Department, the engineer of record and the applicant.

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Fisher, seconded by Molnar.

Waiver Request - Block 11 Lot 5.02 – Brian Funari of VanNote Harvey explained that this is a five year old system whose ports were found filled to the top and water observed 10 ft from the bed. Soil witnessing was conducted in April. The plans on file at the County showed no mottling. However, their testing discovered mottling from 8 inches down along with a seasonal high water table and a static water level of 76 inches. The original design only had a two foot zone of disposal. The homeowner is quite upset but is not going to pursue the issue. Mr. Funari reviewed the plans and noted that the new system will be a mound. A brief discussion about the conditions in this development ensued, including the fact that dynamite was used to fracture the shale and that the builder went bankrupt. The testing done was from the 1980's and development application was grandfathered due to the bankruptcy of the original development. There were several owners prior to Orleans. In response to a question about

whether the system could be dug out and replaced, Mr. Funari stated that the area was saturated. They picked another spot for permeability but there were limited places to test.

BOH RESOLUTION #11-2011

WHEREAS, a septic system alteration request has been referred to the Township Board of Health for Block 11 Lot 5.02; and

WHEREAS, a waiver and approval is requested for the following:

1. Based on the engineers observation in the field the water table is being based on 36 inches. The mottling by definition is a regional condition; however, the engineer believes the mottling is a perched condition starting at 8 inches due to site observations. The Board would need to accept the engineer's observations and water table determinations. The design will have a minimum of 48 inches of separation from the regional water table and the proposed level of infiltration.

WHEREAS, the design shows a mounded pressure dose installation; and

WHEREAS, this is an alteration to a malfunctioning system with no expansion, the Board can consider approving the waiver request under 7:9A-3.3(d)2 as the proposed alteration is closer to being in conformance with this chapter than the original components

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the West Amwell Township Board of Health that the waiver requested in 1 above and listed in the County's letter of July 15, 2011 be granted

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Hunterdon County Heath Department, the engineer of record and the applicant.

The Resolution was unanimously approved on motion by Molnar, seconded by Fisher.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Salt Testing Events; Review of Data and Next Steps – The results of recent testing were reviewed and discussed. The wet spring has helped to flush the salt through but it is still a challenge. The County will no longer be handing the quarterly sampling due to lack of staff; whether there would be the ability locally to continue this activity was questioned; and, the suggestion that a yearly sampling event was raised. What the Township's obligation is at the State is something that Mr. Hart is investigating. It was decided that the affected residents be requested to come to the next meeting and that a letter be sent to that effect.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

Bill List for May, June & July 2011

BILL LIST
July 28, 2011

| DATE | VENDOR | AMOUNT PAID |
|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| 5/25/2011 | Russell Reid | \$ 777.62 |

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|-----------|----------------------------|------------|
| | Enviro-Process Systems Inc | \$1,747.80 |
| | Mt. Holly MUA | \$ 83.76 |
| | QC Laboratories Inc | \$ 220.00 |
| | Kel-Tren Water Care, Inc | \$ 224.00 |
| | Sadat Associates, Inc | \$ 111.25 |
| | James P. Chalupa | \$2,000.00 |
| 6/22/2011 | Russell Reid | \$ 778.44 |
| | Mt. Holly MUA | \$ 123.86 |
| | James P. Chalupa | \$ 200.00 |
| 7/27/2011 | James P. Chalupa | \$ 400.00 |
| | Russell Reid | \$ 388.17 |
| | Mt. Holly MUA | \$ 38.66 |
| | HC Health Dept | \$ 200.00 |
| | Sadat Associates | \$1,455.00 |

NOTE: The above invoices were received and paid from the BOH line item through July 27, 2011 and are provided for informational purposes.

Soil Test Witness Report for May, June & July 2011

SOIL WITNESSING REPORT

Month of: May 2011

Tests Performed:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Block Lot</u> | <u>Address</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Basco | 18/8 | 580 Brunswick Pike |
| Lang | 17/20.01 | 154 Rock Road West |
| | (rescheduled from April) | |
| DeBlasio | 12/47 | 201 Mt. Airy-Harb. Road |

Monies Received and Deposited: \$ 700.00

Fees Refunded: \$ 600.00

SOIL WITNESSING REPORT

Month of: June 2011

Tests Performed:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Block Lot</u> | <u>Address</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Scoggins | 8/34.02 | 70 Rocktown-Lamb. |
| Litwin/Grogan | 26/22 | 300 Goat Hill |
| Monies Received and Deposited: | | \$ 1,850.00 |
| Fees Refunded: | | \$.00 |

SOIL WITNESSING REPORT
Month of: July 2011

Tests Performed:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Block Lot</u> | <u>Address</u> |
|-------------|------------------|----------------|
| None | | |

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| Monies Received and Deposited: | \$ | 150.00 |
| Fees Refunded: | \$ | .00 |

The Administrative reports were accepted without comment.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES (Held from earlier in the evening.)

The following minutes were approved on motion from Rich, seconded by Kropp. Roll Call: Cally-abstain, Rich-aye, Molnar-aye, Kropp-aye
April 28, 2011 Regular Meeting
June 13, 2011 Special Meeting

FYI - There was no vote on the September 23, 2010 Closed Session as these minutes were previously opened by the Township Committee.

CLOSED SESSION & RESULTS, IF ANY

CORRESPONDENCE:

The following items were received from the **Hunterdon County Health Dept.:**

- A request for information on Recreational Bathing Facilities was received to assist the department in arriving at an accurate count.
- Notice that rabies specimen courier services from local offices is being discontinued due to staffing shortages, but that transport to Trenton will continue.
- West Amwell School, ESC, SHRHS, and Quick Chek received satisfactory marks on their Sanitary Inspection Reports.
- Country Fair food participants--Bill & Bernie's, West Amwell Fire Co Auxiliary, and FAA Alumni/SHRHS--received satisfactory ratings on their Temporary Food Event Inspection Reports.
- LINCS Public Health Advisories provided information on 1) probable Measles case in Camden County; 2) Rabies guidance information is available on the County's website; 3) information is requested on any persons with either Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome or Shiga toxin-positive diarrheal illness during or after travel to Germany since April as part of E.Coli 0104: H4 Surveillance; 4) Shiga Toxin-producing E.coli 0104 (STEC 0104:H4 Infections in U.S. from travelers returning from Germany; 5) notice of an increase in measles cases since January; 6) information seminar on How to Deal with Media; and, 6) a woman diagnosed with Rabies has died.

The April, May and June monthly dog license reports were filed by the **ACO**. Eleven licenses were issued during this period. The Rabies Clinic Report from May 7, 2011 shows 66 doses of vaccine were used.

DISCUSSION:

A brief overview of the Fulper fertilizer issue was given by Mr. Kropp and a brief discussion of same ensued. It was also relayed that Johanna is in the process of re-doing the lagoon process and that it will take time to see if the odor problem is solved. Mr. Molnar offered to contact the environmental person at the company.

Mr. Calley relayed that a cougar was spotted in Connecticut and sightings of mountain lions reported. The cougar was apparently tracked from South Dakota and somehow made its way to Connecticut.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:23 p.m. on motion from Fisher, seconded by Molnar.

Respectfully submitted,

Lora Olsen, Secretary