



ACTON BOARD OF HEALTH

MEETING 6/12

MEMBERS PRESENT: George Emmons (Chairman)

Joseph Glannon

Gerhard Heinrich

STAFF PRESENT: Doug Halley (Health Director)

Sheryl Howe

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. Jerome Carr

Dick Dolan

Al Rodenhiser

Leo Booth

Rick Cianci

Terrence Maitland

Pat Ortland

The meeting opened at 7:45 P.M.

MINUTES:

On a motion made by Mr. Glannon, seconded by Mr. Heinrich, the Board unanimously voted to accept the minutes of April 24, 1989 and May 8, 1989 as written.

On a motion made by Mr. Heinrich, seconded by Mr. Glannon, the Board unanimously voted to accept the minutes of May 15, 1989 as written.

DR. CARR - CHEMICAL REJUVENATION:

Dr. Carr presented the pros of the use of hydrogen peroxide for septic system rehabilitation. Dr. Carr stated that the natural breakdown of hydrogen peroxide is water and oxygen. The long term effect of the use of hydrogen peroxide according to the reports are that 65% of the septic systems studied had no further periodic or sustained system failure. Dr. Carr stated that hydrogen peroxide works as a quick and speedy recovery method when a short term solution or in some cases even when a longer term recovery is required. The Board questioned whether or not the hydrogen peroxide killed the biological mat. Mr. Carr stated that it did. However, the mat would grow back just as if the system were new.

RICK CIANCI - 63 LIBERTY - HAZARDOUS MATERIAL PERMIT:

Mr. Cianci has a current pesticide business called Pro-Tect Pest Control Company located at 63 Liberty Street in the garage of his home. The closet in which Mr. Cianci keeps his materials is locked and only Mr. Cianci has access. Mr. Cianci presented the Board with a thorough report in which he had met all of Mr. Halley's previous requirements. All of his company files are on a computer system.

On a motion made by Mr. Glannon, seconded by Mr. Heinrich, this Hazardous Material Permit was granted unanimously as long as the storage application is in accordance with the information provided in the application on file in the Health Department.

MR. TERENCE MAITLAND - 100 MARTIN STREET - VARIANCE:

Mr. Maitland seeks a variance from Title 5 regarding an attic which he plans to convert to a study. Mr. Maitland's septic system is designed for a three (3) bedroom home. The house is very old and the rooms located in the house are very small and structured differently compared to the average home. The structure of this house makes it difficult to determine the actual number of bedrooms. There is a master bedroom that has a small room that is attached to it. The small room is currently being used as a nursery. As a result of these difficulties, Mr. Halley asked the Maitland's to come to the Board of Health for approval. The attic has the potential of being used as a bedroom and their system is not large enough to accommodate a five (5) bedroom home. One of the Board's concerns is to make sure that if the Maitland's were to sell their home that it would not be sold as a five (5) bedroom home.

Mr. Maitland spoke about a future addition and also at that time expanding their present septic system. Mr. Halley felt that this variance should be granted with the condition being that if future renovations were to take place then at that time the septic system will be added to in order to make the system in compliance with today's standards.

On a motion made by Mr. Heinrich, seconded by Mr. Emmons, this variance was granted to Mr. & Mrs. Maitland, 100 Martin Street, with the following conditions:

1. That a letter be recorded in the Registry of Deeds indicating that this home may only be used as a three (3) bedroom home.
2. Upon expansion of any addition that the septic tank and leach field be brought into compliance with all Board of Health rules and regulations.

The vote was two yes with one abstention.

MR. & MRS. CARPENTER - 13 ROBERT ROAD - WELL VARIANCE:

Mr. & Mrs. Carpenter seek a variance for an irrigation well. Mr. Halley feels that a deep well would be needed in this case for a supply of water to exist. He also feels that this well would not impact the Town's water supply.

On a motion made by Mr. Glannon, seconded by Mr. Heinrich, this irrigation well was granted unanimously to Mr. & Mrs. Carpenter at 13 Robert Road with the following conditions:

1. That there be no cross connections to the public water supply system.
2. That the well be of drinking water quality.
3. That the well comply fully with Board of Health Regulations and Title 5.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Emmons discussed the letter from Julia Stevens to Ms. Spence at Emerson Hospital regarding lack of referrals. Mr. Emmons felt that the letter should ask to have a meeting. The Board would like the meeting to consist of someone from Emerson, the Board, Julia, Doug and Ms. Spence.

NEXT MEETING:

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on June 26, 1989 in Room 126 of the Town Hall. The following meeting will be held on July 10, 1989 in the same room.

On a motion made by Mr. Glannon, seconded by Mr. Heinrich, the Board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheryl Howe

Sheryl Howe, Secretary

Signed and Approved,

Joseph Glannon

Joseph Glannon, Chairman