

Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2014

Members Present: Heather Hasz, Chair; Mary Spinner, Clerk; Pamela Papineau, Member
Others Present: Bridgette Braley, RS, Nashoba Associated Boards of Health
Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by H. Hasz

Variance Request – 62A Willow Road - Mr. Douglas Smith was present to request that the Board grant a variance from 310 CMR 15.405(1) (a) to allow for the replacement of the onsite wastewater system at 62A Willow Road. As proposed, the system does not meet the 10' offset from the property line required (10' required, 5' provided). Abutters to the property were notified as required; no concerns were voiced by members of the audience.

M. Spinner motioned to grant the variance from 310 CMR 15.405(1)(a) to 62A Willow Road; P. Papineau 2nd. Vote: 3-0 in favor. The Board signed the permit for construction of the onsite wastewater system at 62A Willow Road, copies were provided to the engineer.

Devens Shopping Plaza Discussion - Mr. Stephen Faber, owner of the Devens Shopping Plaza, Main Street, Ayer, was present to speak with the Board regarding a letter of concern sent to him by the Board on February 13, 2014. Inspection records and other items of discussions relative to this property have caused the Board to have a general concern as to the integrity of the building as well as the units and their suitability for food related activities. After discussion with Mr. Faber, the Board learned that the roof had been replaced within the last seven (7) years and does not currently have any issues; the Board also reviewed some documentation that provided the Board with insight into the lease agreements. The lease agreements make the tenant responsible for repairs to their unit; meaning if cited by the Health Agent during an inspection, the responsibility is upon the tenant to achieve compliance. B. Braley will conduct an opening inspection of the proposed new Chinese restaurant when ready; she will also be conducting a re-inspection of an existing establishment within the plaza and will report back to the Board if there is any further action needed. Mr. Faber provided his complete contact information to the Board and offered to be available for any future discussion or to assist with any tenant items if needed.

Review of NABOH Materials/Updates from B. Braley

- Littleton Lyne Apartment – (wastewater issue) no update; B. Braley attempting to contact owner.
- Trailer Park, Rte 2A – (concern with water/wastewater connections) no action needed by the BOH
- Lot 9 Westford Road – (septic permit) not ready as of meeting date; waiting on revisions
- 24 Maple Street – (housing) re-inspection not done, unit still empty
- B. Braley informed the Board that an existing body art establishment at 32 Main Street is transferring ownership; will be adding Body Piercing. Upon her initial review, she had questions for the Board on educational requirements, coursework, etc. The Board agreed that they need to understand more about the coursework of the applicant, however, would generally be unwilling to accept something that didn't meet the requirement, given it relates to piercing the body. B. Braley will get additional information on the practitioner's education and relate back to the Board with an update on March 24, 2014.

Minutes - Board signed minutes of February 10, 2014. M. Spinner moved to accept minutes of February 24, 2014 as written; P. Papineau 2nd. Vote: 3-0 in favor. Board signed minutes of February 24, 2014.

Mail Review

- M. Spinner asked if we had received any additional inquiry from the Department of Public Health or other entity as it pertains to the Medical Marijuana Dispensary proposed by Compassionate Care, Central Ave. As of today, we have only had a phone call inquiry from the Office of Environmental Affairs confirming our letter of support; no other information or directive has been received.
- P. Papineau discussed with the Board the letter received from a resident in town as it relates to cleaning up after dogs. The Board agreed that while this is a concern, more awareness of this requirement is key and perhaps more communication on this item should be conveyed. Enforcement of this item is through the Animal Control Officer; H. Hasz offered to have the email sent on to him for follow up.

Shepley Hill / Plow Shop Update – P. Papineau agreed to provide comments on Land Use Controls; report provided to her as a reference for this; will return when completed.

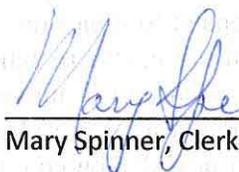
Curbside Pick Up Working Group - Public meeting March 20, 2014 to discuss findings.

Adjourn – M. Spinner motioned to adjourn at 6:55 pm; P. Papineau 2nd Vote 3-0 in favor.

Ayer Board of Health



Heather Hasz, Chair



Mary Spinner, Clerk



Pamela Papineau, Member

Respectfully Submitted,



Heather Hasz, Chair