

READINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

December 14, 2011

Chair William C. Nugent called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

Attendance Roll Call:

Christina Albrecht	present	@7:10	William C. Nugent	present	Wendy Sheay	absent
Jane Butula	present		Tanya Rohrbach	present	Donna Simon	absent
Beatrice Muir	present					

Also Present: Board of Health Engineer, Ferriero Engineering, Inc. representative Joe Kosinski
Hunterdon County Dept. of Health – Bob Vaccarella

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. **Minutes** of March 16, 2011. (- *Albrecht, Butula, Rohrbach* vote).

Deferred.

2. **Minutes** of November 16, 2011. (- *Sheay, Simon* vote).

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Muir to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Butula. On roll call vote, the following was recorded for approval of the 11/16/11 minutes:

Ms. Butula	Aye	Ms. Muir	Aye	Ms. Rohrbach	Aye	Chair Nugent	Aye
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B. CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Block 61/Lot 5, 14, 16** – Stires Associates regarding application for flood hazard area permit.
 2. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/6/11 regarding oil transformer non-PCB.
 3. **Block 38/Lot 7** – NJDEP –dated 10/27/11 – No further action letter.
 4. **HCDH LINCS** - 11/17/11 Information: Antibiotics week (11/14/11 – 11/20/11).
 5. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/8/11 regarding oil heating 2.
 6. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/17/11 regarding oil sheen.
 7. **Block 46/Lots 2.01, 5 & 6 Township of Tewksbury** – NJDEP –application for Freshwater Wetlands Special Activity Transition Area waiver for linear development.
 8. **HCDH LINCS** - 11/28/11 Update: Hunterdon Influenza-Like-Illness Surveillance on Webpage.
 9. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/22/11 regarding oil heating 2.
 10. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/23/11 regarding oil heating 2.
 11. **Block 39/Lot 53.18 – EcolSciences, Inc.** letter dated 11/16/11 regarding Response Action Outcome.
 12. **HCDH LINCS** - 12/2/11 Information: NJ Animal Rabies Cases – September 2011.
 13. **HCDH LINCS** - 12/2/11 Information: Diabetes Care & Infection Control.
- Ms. Butula noted this valuable information for the public and asked that this information be forwarded to the township website and also to Social Services for distribution.*
14. **Hatch Mott MacDonald** – letter dated 11/28/11 re: Freshwater Wetland Gen.Perm. No. 1 Flood Hazard Area, Waterfront Development.
 15. **Hatch Mott MacDonald** – letter dated 12/2/11 re: LOI Transition Area Waiver for Linear Development.
 16. **Block 53/Lot 5 – Environmental Mgmt Group** – Application for LOI dated 12/5/11.

C. OLD BUSINESS

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Rabies Clinic** – Saturday, January 21, 2012 @ Readington Twp. Recycling Garage
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Dr. Paluchowski, Hunterdon Hills Animal Hospital.

Ms. Petzinger stated that there will be a free rabies clinic on 1/21/11 at the recycling garage on Mtn Road.

2. **County Dept. of Human Services Division of Public Health Nursing** – Open House, Wednesday, 12/14/11, 11 – 2pm New Public Health Nursing Office, 6 Gauntt Place, Flemington, NJ.

Ms. Butula attended this open house and spoke to one of the nurses and picked up pamphlets for everyone. There are 2 public health nurses, 1 HIV counselor and they will hire 1 more nurse. The administrative director spoke to Ms. Butula and indicated that they wanted to communicate with the board, and not to hesitate to contact them.

*Chair Nugent noted that the nursing staff is lower than what it had been.
Ms. Butula stated that it is at 3 with the possibility of a 4th.*

Chair Nugent noted that related to this was the invitation for the Board of Chosen Freeholders to come and speak to the Township Committee, which was postponed and rescheduled for January.

Ms. Butula stated that John Beckley, Director and Health Officer for Hunterdon County will be retiring and leaving the County as of December 31, 2011. We are losing a very good friend to the Readington Township Board of Health.

Chair Nugent stated that Mr. Beckley has been an absolutely amazing resource at the County in his dealings for the past 11 years, and Ms. Butula's for many more years than that.

Ms. Butula stated that it was her advantage of being on the Hunterdon County Partnership for Health to see the other side outside of environmental health running all the preventative programs. Mr. Beckley was quite amazing, and at the highest level of professionalism with a true sense of being at the top of his game.

Chair Nugent stated on behalf of the Board we extend him all the best wishes.

E. APPROVALS

Category A. – Single Lots

The following application has withdrawn from the agenda:

1. Block 93/Lot 12 – Bohren & Bohren, Miller, Higginsville Road.

Escrow fees paid 1/29/07, # 9857, \$500.; 9/12/11, 308, \$750.00.
Previously heard 11/16/11.

Heard @ 7:20 p.m.

2. Block 52.01/Lot 17 – Doug Fine, Bowser, Cole Road & Pleasant Run Road.

Block 64/Lot 34.01

Escrow fees paid 5/24/2011, # 655 \$750.00.

Mr. Doug Fine, NJ licensed engineer appeared before the board. This application is for David and Tanya Bowser who are proposing to expand the number of bedrooms in their house. Soil permeability testing was performed for the purpose of the expansion, primary and reserve areas and the necessary information and wetlands investigation was done to show that no wetlands were encroached upon. In conjunction with the information that Ferriero has asked for, was data for the existing well, which is provided tonight. There is an ultraviolet system and was tested at the water storage tank, and the kitchen sink. The results were potable. Wet season ground water monitoring was done during the 2011 season. The property was surveyed, and the wetlands line was picked up by the surveyor.

There was some discussion of the number of waivers requested.

Mr. Fine stated that he thought it was 4, setback well to septic, well to pump tank, proximity of the tank to the dwelling foundation, there were 2 tanks, making it 4 total.

Chair Nugent stated the challenge is that since this is an alteration with expansion, state code section 3.3 states that they must be 100% compliant with the code. Section 4.3 specifying the setback requirements indicates that the distance to the building, as long as <10 but >5 can be waived by this administrative authority, so is it >5?

Mr. Fine stated yes.

Chair Nugent stated that according to interpretation of the code, the 50' setback to the well is not within the ability of this board to grant a waiver from.

There was some discussion of compliance with the code. It was determined that this application as is due to the expansion, would have to go to the state for a TWA.

There was some discussion of moving the tank to meet the 50' requirement.

Ms. Butula stated that the applicant has 3 choices, the TWA, move the tank, or decide whether or not to go with the bedroom expansion.

There was some discussion regarding the 50' requirement.

Chair Nugent stated that some options were a) come up with a way to move beyond the 50' or b) if they want to go with a TWA, let the board know as soon as possible.

Heard @ 7:45 p.m.

3. Block 68/Lot 5. 12 – Heritage, Torino, Van Pelt Road.

Escrow fees paid 11/30/11, # 699, \$750.00.

Mr. Robert Lorentz, Heritage Consulting Engineer, NJ licensed engineer appeared before the board. Mr. Neil Torino, property owner was also in attendance. This is a proposed correction to a malfunctioning system, the cause of the malfunction is not a problem with the disposal area other than the fact that it is at the bottom of a bowl in the terrain. Ultimately it does drain out, but the malfunction causes it to fill and back up, it hasn't surfaced, but backs up into the tank. The system was found to be 3 – 4' below grade to the top of the disposal area. It appears to have been regraded after the system was installed. The proposal is for a replacement of the disposal area and through the use of a new tank and pump facility tank, go to a new disposal area at a higher elevation some distance away. There are no adjoining systems or wells within 150' of the system. There are no discernible wetlands on the property, it extends approximately 700' in depth with some wooded areas at the extreme rear of the property. Testing was conducted in October 2011, resulting in ground water encountered but there was no mottling or indication of higher ground water in any testing. The board was presented this evening with information on a curtain drain and or surface drain, which proved unfeasible to be effective. The two pertinent soil logs indicate a regional zone of saturation at 96" and 85". The system has been designed to the 85" level. A passing pit bail at 114" depth indicated a permeability that was over 3"/hour. This is a pressure dosing system, using dosing and distribution for better coverage in the field.

Ms. Butula confirmed with the engineer and homeowner that the the pump system and deed requirements were understood.

Chair Nugent asked if there were any questions from the board about the soil logs?

There were no additional questions or comments.

Chair Nugent asked if the engineer would be able to submit a revised map reflecting all of the soil logs to the board ?

Mr. Lorentz stated that it would not be a problem.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Butula for approval for Block 68/Lot 5.12. The map is entitled Septic System Plan for Neil and Linda Torino Block 68/Lot 5.12, Readington Twp, Hunterdon County, NJ, dated 10/18/11, revision 11/4/11, prepared by Robert F. Lorenz, professional engineer. Survey was done by Patrick H. Fatton. 10/18/11. This is a 4 bedroom home, alteration with no expansion, report from Hunterdon County Health Dept. dated 11/14/11, pressure dosed soil replacement fill enclosed system. For the primary, the testing was done 10/4/11, soil log 1, @ 120", no mottling. Hydraulically restricted horizon from 12 – 42", seepage @ 96 and 102", flooding in the pit at 102" after 24 hours. Soil log 2, @ 130", no mottling, hydraulically restricted horizon from 13 – 56", seepage @ 85 and 90", flooding in the pit at 127" after 2 hours. Permeability test was pit bail 1 @ 114", done 10/5/11, results 3.2"/hour. The regional is 85" due to the seepage in soil log 2. There will be a pump and the required deed restriction and maintenance. There are two attachments to this approval, a new revised map with testing from 9/16/11, and a copy of the survey to the BOH office.

This motion was seconded by Ms. Rohrbach. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ms. Albrecht Aye Ms. Butula Aye Ms. Muir Aye Ms. Rohrbach Aye Chair Nugent Aye

Mr. Lorenz thanked the board.

Heard @ 8:00 p.m.

4. Block 11/Lot 6 – Kearney, Petrozelli, Cedar Road.

Escrow fees paid 11/30/11, # 7625, \$750.00.

Mr. John Kearney, NJ licensed engineer appeared before the board. This plan was prepared for Joseph and Claudette Petrozelli for an alteration to replace an existing septic system. There is no malfunction at this time. The background is that the house will be put on the market, they are doing this in advance, they have owned the property since about 1961, 3 bedroom home. Soil tests were done, permeability was a basin flood, excellent material, passing test. This would be a conventional fully in ground gravity system, existing tank will be upgraded to current standards. There is downhill gradient to where the bed would be. Regarding wetlands, none were observed, there is a ditch running through the property that is dry.

Mr. Vaccarella stated that certification had been provided to him stating that there are no wetlands on the property, the ditch is a runoff ditch for storm events or melting snow, which according to DEP is not considered a water course.

Ms. Butula asked that a copy of that be provided to the board.

Chair Nugent asked if there were any questions from the board ?

There were no additional questions or comments.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Butula for Block 11/Lot 6, property owned by Joseph Petrozelli, 26 Cedar Road. This is a 3 bedroom residence. Map is entitled Septic System Design for Joseph Petrozelli, Readington Twp, Hunterdon County, NJ, dated 9/30/11, no revisions, prepared by John H. Kearney, licensed professional engineer. 2 surveys, from Frank Bohren, 7/8/63, Ryan G. Warford, 12/7/11. Report from Hunterdon County Health Dept. dated 10/31/11. This is an alteration with no expansion for a gravity flow soil replacement, bottom lined installation. Primary, 9/12/11, soil log 1, 132", no mottling, no groundwater. Soil log 2, 144", no mottling, seepage @ 144", no hydraulically restricted horizon. Permeability test is basin flood 1, @ 9.33', 9/12 – 13/11, passing. The regional water is soil log 2 @ 144".

This motion was seconded by Ms. Albrecht. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ms. Albrecht Aye Ms. Butula Aye Ms. Muir Aye Ms. Rohrbach Aye Chair Nugent Aye

Mr. Kearney thanked the board and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Chair Nugent wished everyone a very Merry Christmas, and Happy Holiday. It has been a wonderful year and a pleasure to sit in this room every month, to work with everyone present and is looking forward to the upcoming year.

F. ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Albrecht to adjourn at 8:15 pm, seconded by Ms. Butula with a vote of Ayes all, Nays none recorded.

Respectfully submitted:

Lorraine Petzinger
Board of Health Secretary