

READINGTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

December 17, 2008 7:00 pm

Chair William C. Nugent called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm 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	Raymond Facinelli	present	Tanya Rohrbach	absent
Daniel Allen	absent	Beatrice Muir	present	Wendy Sheay	present
Jane Butula	present	William C. Nugent	present		

Also Present: Hunterdon County Health Dept.: Debra Vaccarella

Not in attendance: Board of Health Attorney, Marisa A. Taormina, Esq.
Board of Health Engineer - Ferriero Engr. representative

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. **Minutes** of October 15, 2008. (-Allen, Butula, Muir vote). *Deferred to 1/21/09.*

2. **Minutes** of November 19, 2008. (-Albrecht, Allen, Facinelli, Rohrbach vote).

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Muir, seconded by Ms. Sheay to approve the minutes of 11/19/08.

On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ms. Butula Aye Ms. Muir Aye Ms. Sheay Aye Chair Nugent Aye

B. CORRESPONDENCE

1. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/18/08 regarding heating oil.

2. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/16/08 regarding heating oil.

3. **Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notification** letter dated 11/11/08 regarding heating oil.

4. **NDJEP letter** to Mayor Auriemma dated 11/19/08 re: January being Radon Action Month. *There was some discussion of providing public awareness. There are radon kits available from the receptionist at the Municipal Bldg. for \$20.00. Ms. Vaccarella stated there is an excellent website at njradon.org January is Radon Action Month because we are into the heating season and our houses are closed up.*

The board recommended forwarding article 2 from agenda item B.4. to RT email alert program, and putting a sign on the door.

5. **Block 98/2.31** – NJDEP – No further action.

6. **Block 9/Lot 12** - 11/13/08 letter from Kleinfelder re: Exxon facility, 414 Route 523.

There was some discussion of the investigation of environmental conditions at this property.

7. **Block 21/19.06** – NJDEP – No further action.

8. **9/8/08 memo** from Hatch Mott MacDonald regarding County Bridge No. RQ-164.

9. **Block 95/Lot 1** - NJDEP correspondence re: Hess Station site, Route 202 & River Rd.

10. **9/9/08 HCHD letter** to 137 Readington Rd.

Ms. Vaccarella stated the owners are planning on expanding this facility.

There was some discussion of RT Code Enforcement generically looking at permit applicants to determine whether or not there may be a need for BOH involvement.

Chair Nugent asked if this could be brought to the attention of Code Enforcement.

Ms. Petzinger stated that the Code Enforcement Dept. is diligent in their procedure of requiring prior approvals to be in place before a permit is processed.

Ms. Butula stated that this type of situation could be generically defined as increased use of water that would cause increased use of septic.

Ms. Vaccarella asked if this would go through the BOH or the County. Most of the time, Building is coming through the County for review, at which time that would be questioned.

There was some discussion of permits requirements for commercial properties.

Ms. Muir stated that the BOH could recommend to Code Enforcement that a usage increase be brought to the attention of the BOH.

Ms. Vaccarella stated she would like to get back to the BOH on how this specific property was reviewed.

11. **Block 25/Lot 44** – NJDEP letter regarding LOI

12. **Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems:** Operating Permits.

Ms. Butula stated this was from a workshop by Deb Vaccarella that she attended with Mr. Nugent and Ms. Sheay on wastewater treatment. It is recommended that everyone on the board become familiar with this.

Chair Nugent stated that it looks like a maintenance program will be required in the future.

13. NJDEP draft NJPDES permit.

Chair Nugent noted that the comment period deadline was 12/4/08.

14. Block 4/Lots 47 – 50, 96, 98, 99, 100, 102, 103, 104 & 112.

Noted, follow up letter from the state..

15. Block 67.01/Lot 19.04 – NJDEP – No further action.

16. Block 13/Lot 65 – Day Tool & Manufacturing Co.

Chair Nugent stated this was requested at the last meeting, and asked that the minutes and motions related to this be pulled for reference.

Ms. Vaccarella stated the disposal system was approved by HCHD on 6/21/88.

Ms. Butula asked that a sampling of the reports referred to also be pulled.

17. NALBOH – Public Health Emergency Response.- (on file @ BOH office)

Chair Nugent stated he would review this online, Ms. Butula will review the hardcopy version.

18. NALBOH and NJLBHA memberships, and resource order blank.

Chair Nugent asked that all of the free publications be ordered, also the publication Being An Effective Local Board of Health Member, cost of \$3.00 was requested by Ms. Butula.

19. NJLBHA newsletter.

There was some discussion of the orientation program on 3/7/09 and 3/14/09.

20. NALBOH newsletter.

Ms. Butula noted the link on page 3. [.healthycounties.org/database](http://healthycounties.org/database) ; page 11 the ‘survey uncovers’ article which should be forwarded to the BOE and Superintendent of schools; and the NALBOH conference is in Philadelphia on 7/1 – 3/09.

21. HCHD LINCS – public health update, dated 12/11/08.

Noted.

C. SEPTIC REPAIRS - Carried to 1/21/09.

1. Septic System Repair Approval from HCHD, B 65/L 14.01.

2. Septic System Repair Approval from HCHD, B 36/L 40.01.

Carried from 11/19/08:

3. Septic System Repair Approval from HCHD, B 42/L 8.02. No work done as of 11/12/08

4. Septic System Repair Approval from HCHD, B 25/L 42. No work done as of 11/12/08.

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. Public Health Nuisance Code Ordinance draft.

Chair Nugent stated that this was drafted by counsel based upon discussions with the County and board members, a presentation in 11/2007 by Mr. Beckley, and the observation that some towns did not adopt the Public Health Nuisance Code, inclusive of this township. It is the wish of this board to enable HCHD with the tools to perform their job. This will be placed on the next BOH agenda for first reading. Members should provide any input by 1/1/09. Ms. Muir stated the Public Health Nuisance Code should have a reference on file. There was some discussion of including some language within the title of the ordinance that would define what the ordinance is designed to do.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2009 Board of Health meeting date – January 21, 2009.

A MOTION was made by Ms. Albrecht to advertise the first BOH meeting date of 2009 be 1/21/09, seconded by Ms. Muir, with a vote of Ayes all, Nays none.

2. Rabies Clinic – Saturday, January 24, 2009, 10:00 – 12:00, at Readington Township Municipal Garage, Mountain Road.

Ms. Petzinger confirmed that there are now two clinics held per year. The date and time of

this clinic will be posted on the township webpage. It is also on HCHD website under Environmental Health. Ms. Muir pointed out that the Hunterdon County rabies clinics are open to all residents, not just residents of each specific municipality.

F. APPROVALS

G. ADJOURNMENT

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Facinelli to adjourn at 8:56 pm, seconded by Ms. Muir with a vote of Ayes all, Nays, none recorded.

Respectfully submitted:

Lorraine Petzinger
Board of Health Secretary