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Acton Board of Health

July 12, 2010

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Members Present: Joanne Bissetta, Chairman, William McInnis, Member, Mark Conoby, Member and Michael Kreuze, Associate Member.

Staff Present: Justin Snair, Environmental Health Agent and Isabel Roberts.

Others Present: Mr. and Mrs. Vandergift and Mr. Brown, P.E.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40pm

On a motion made by Mr. Conoby, seconded by Mr. McInnis, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Board of Health minutes dated June 21, 2010.

VOTE FOR CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

On a motion made by Mr. McInnis, seconded by Mr. Kreuze the Board unanimously voted to appoint Mr. Conoby as the Board of Health Chairman.

On a motion made by Mr. Conoby, seconded by Ms. Bissetta, the Board unanimously voted to appoint Mr. McInnis as the Board of Health Vice - Chairman.

4 HOUGHTON LANE – APPEAL

Mr. Snair presented the Board with a request for an Appeal from the Health Director decision made in accordance with Acton Board of Health Onsite Wastewater System Policy.

Mr. Brown was before the Board seeking an appeal to the Health Department's decision regarding a complete waiver of Article 11-8.1 – reduction in minimum required area. Mr. Brown requested this waiver stating undo financial hardship at a cost of \$7730.00 in order to comply with the minimum compliant area. Mr. Brown further stated that setbacks to the utility lines would also be reduced.

On a motion made by Mr. McInnis, seconded by Mr. Conoby, the Board unanimously voted to uphold the Health Director's decision stating manifest injustice was not met, and good policy and reasonable judgment was made.

MERRILY ENDOKIMOFF – APHNS UPDATE

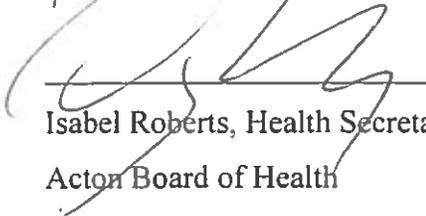
Merrily Endokimoff presented the Board with an update of the Nursing Service. The Nursing service is still working with a financial consultant who is anticipated to give a final report in September, 2010. Cutbacks have already been made in the attempt to reduce expenses. Sharon Faldasz, who is the Nursing Service secretary has recently had her hours reduced to 20 per week, plus all of the nurses have reduced their hours by one hour per day. Ms. Endokimoff also stated she plans to only work 3 days per week as a consultant to the Nursing Service.

Unfortunately, the Nursing Service is showing an approximate \$90,000 deficit for FY10. This total is due to a number of changes, including staff being eligible for benefits, computer systems and equipment costs. Ms. Endokimoff reminded the Board that the Town voted for a subsidy of \$50,000 for FY11.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Dr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Kreuze, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
for Isabel Roberts


Isabel Roberts, Health Secretary
Acton Board of Health


Joanne Bissetta, Chairman
Acton Board of Health