



BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF MEETING
MARCH 13, 1989

MEMBERS PRESENT: George Emmons (Chairman)
Joseph Glannon
Gerhard Heinrich
Marilyn Hotch

STAFF PRESENT: Doug Halley (Health Director)
Deborah J. Halko
Sheryl Howe

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert T. Germaine
Mark Kobuszewski
Frank Kloppenburg
Victor J. Bono
Joseph March
James Fenton
Michael Jeanson

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 P.M.

MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Glannon, seconded by Mr. Heinrich, the minutes of January 23, 1989 and February 13, 1989 were unanimously approved as written.

BICKFORD'S - 20 NAGOG PARK

Ms. Halko requested a hearing in front of the Board to present the results of the most recent and previous inspection reports at Bickford's establishment. Steve Ward, during his routine inspection at Bickford's found a number of violations. A reinspection indicated that several violations were outstanding and an order letter was issued. After receiving a complaint Steve Ward inspected again finding minor violations. The primary concern with this establishment was that many of the noted violations had been cited in the past and not much effort had been made to prevent them from reoccurring. Bickford's stated their solutions in dealing with this problem. They are more than willing to work with Ms. Halko to ensure compliance with food service regulations. Ms. Halko feels that Bickford's needs to communicate the inspection reports to all employees, have a check off sheet listing cleaning schedules with each responsibility designated to specific employees, and establish a training program for all employees. The Board decided that Bickford's with the assistance of Ms. Halko, should establish cleaning procedures and that this should be done within a two (2) week time frame. Ms. Halko will then report back to the Board in three weeks with the results of the cleaning schedules and training programs. The Board stated that if conditions in Bickford's are found to have deteriorated they will consider suspension of the establishment.

SWEET BUDDIES - 50 KNOX TRAIL

Ms. Halko on a routine inspection of Sweet Buddies found this establishment to have several severe violations. During the last three sanitary inspections the conditions at this facility were found to be extremely poor. Mr. Bono made a voluntary decision to close on March 4 & 5 to clean up the establishment. During a re-inspection on March 6, there were notable improvements. The Department's concerns are that these current conditions be properly maintained and that they not return to their previous state. The Board then decided that Ms. Halko should inspect on a more frequent schedule and that Mr. Bono should draw up a detailed cleaning schedule. Mr. Bono assured the staff and the Board that his situation will be improving because he now has some reliable help. The Board requested that Mr. Halley draft procedures by which the Health Director could order a permit suspension or an emergency closure if the Staff feels it is necessary and that the delegation of authority by the Board to staff be clarified.

The Board also would like to make note of the outstanding job that Ms. Halko and Staff have been doing in conducting thorough and detailed inspections.

JAMES FENTON - WALDRON PROPERTY

Mr. Fenton seeks a special permit for Lots 1-13. Lots 2-11 are in need of a special permit for work in the Aquifer Protection Zone. Mr. Joseph March who represents Stamsky & McNary feels that because there was no ground water noted in the deep test holes and the sands are very coarse that there is no need for a dosing system. The estimated separation to groundwater at the lowest is 25' and the highest being 47'. Mr. Halley recommends this variance for two reasons. The first being depth to the groundwater. The second reason being the size of the lots. It is possible for Mr. Fenton to put 26 houses on this lot but he is only proposing 13. Therefore, these lots are oversized and the area is less dense causing the effluent to be spread over a larger area. The Board agreed that the additional depth to groundwater could form the basis for granting a special permit. Some members felt that the larger lot area, creating less density, diminished the impact of effluent on the groundwater and therefore was an additional ground for granting a special permit without a pressure dosing requirement.

On a motion made by Ms. Hotch, seconded by Mr. Heinrich, this special permit for work in the aquifer was unanimously granted to James Fenton with the following conditions:

1. No underground fuel storage tanks shall be permitted on the site.
2. Septic tank shall be pumped a minimum of once every two years.
3. The site shall fully conform to the Town of Acton Hazardous Materials Control Bylaw.
4. The sewage disposal system for the proposed buildings at this site shall be approved by the Acton Board of Health Staff.
5. Sewage disposal system shall be a minimum 150 feet from flood plain and/or wetlands.
6. Floor drains are not permitted.

NEXT MEETING

The Board will meet next on Monday, March 27, 1989 at 7:30 P.M.

On a motion made by Mr. Glannon, seconded by Ms. Hotch, the meeting was unanimously voted to adjourn at 10:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheryl Howe
Sheryl Howe, Secretary

Signed and Approved,

George Emmons
George Emmons, Chairman