

**TOWN OF LANESBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**

**Submitted by Emily Betti, BOH Office Manager**

**November 17, 2014**

**Present: Ms. Francisca Heming, Mr. Larry Spatz,  
Ms. Emily Betti, Office Manager**

**The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m.**

**1. Public Comment**

- a. Owner of 1155 North Main Street presented with cesspool concerns; he stated his lawyers advised him that a Title V would not be required at the time of purchase of the property and that he does not have the ability to finance a new septic system at this time. Neighbors had complained of odor; Ed Fahey, Health Agent had gone to the property to inspect and confirmed the presence of sewage odor. The Board expressed the importance of installing a septic system as soon as possible due to concern about possible ground water contamination. The Board decided that a letter should be drafted to the owner permitting him to install a new system within 6-7 months as long as the following conditions are maintained: only one resident occupies the property and there are no further complaints from neighbors. Ed Fahey advised that the cesspool should be pumped.**
- b. Cal Joppru, Health Agent, presented statuses on the following properties:  
\*10-14 Iriquois Street – Original letter to condemn had been sent in 2008. Taxes have not been paid, the property could be foreclosed based on nonpayment. The two properties have been unoccupied on a long term basis. Cal has received complaints from neighbors. He will be sending a demolition order. Larry and Francisca reviewed photos of the property provided by Cal and approved the order. There may be grant funding available from the state for the demolition if grant application is combined with two other towns. If the structure is demolished, a lien could be placed against the property and it may qualify for construction of elderly housing; either subsidized or Chapter 21.  
\*237 South Main Street – The roof is caving in and the foundation is cracked. A condemnation order had been issued in June of 2010. It has been signed. Cal to send demolition order.**

**\*514 South Main Street** – The structure is wide open. If the owner does not request a hearing, a condemnation order will be drawn up. The owner will need to go to court to stop the process.

**\*243-245 Naragansett** – Two properties owned by Schultz.

2. Health Agent Report

The report was reviewed by the Board members present and no concerns were raised.

3. Title V Updates

- 3 Profile Street: Board unanimously approved plan.

4. Private Well Regulations

Public hearing to be set. Summary will be posted in The Berkshire Eagle to give public notice. Public hearing will take place at a BOH Board meeting where the Board will vote on adopting the new regulations once the 30 day notice requirement has been met.

5. New Tobacco Regulations

Regulations have been returned by Town Counsel. The two Board members present reviewed the amendments made by Town Counsel. The amended regulations have been emailed to the absent Board members for review. There was discussion about the possibility of both the private well regulations and the new tobacco regulations being presented at one hearing. The hearing date will be set pending availability of Board members.

6. Approve Minutes

Minutes from the October 27, 2014 Board of Health meeting will be presented at the next meeting on December 8, 2014 for approval due to the absence of Nancy Boudreau.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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