

BOARD OF HEALTH

March 15, 2001

6:30 p.m.

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Members Present: Mark Baker; Michele Couture, Chairman; Laura Davis; Duane Gregory; and Kay Halle.

Health Agent: Sean O'Brien

Absent: Ken Janson and Jackie Silver (both excused absences)

AGENDA:

- I. Public Statements
- II. Public Hearing
Town Meeting Articles
- III. New Business
194 Bradford Street – new Title V
3 Soper Street – new Title V
- IV. Approval of Minutes
- V. Health Agent's & Health Inspector's Reports
- VI. Board members' statements
- VII. Any other business which shall properly come before the Board

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Statements: There were none.

Public Hearing on Town Meeting Articles: There were neither proponents nor opponents. The discussion for the public hearing was then closed and opened for the Board's input. After brief discussions regarding each Article under the BoH's consideration the following motions were made:

Motion Michele Couture made a motion to vote in favor of Article 1. under the Special Town Meeting section as it refers to the sewer betterment assessment deferral for low-income elderly. Mark Baker seconded the motion and it passed unanimously 5-0.

Motion: Michele Couture made a motion to vote in favor of Article 2. under the Special Town Meeting section as it refers to Wastewater facilities construction/state revolving fund 0%-interest loan program/old burn dump treatment building location/sewer betterments. Mark Baker seconded the motion and it passed 4-0-1 abstention (Laura Davis abstained).

Motion: Kay Halle made a motion to vote in favor of Article 3. under the Special Town Meeting section as it refers to authorize award of design-build-operate contract for wastewater. Mark Baker seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Motion: Mark Baker made a motion to have the BoH vote in favor of Article 21, Number 2 in the Special Town Meeting section as it refers to the old burn dump closure. Kay Halle seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Motion: Kay Halle made a motion to have the Board support Article 22 in the Special Town Meeting section of the warrant as it refers to the sewer deferment. Mark Baker seconded the motion and it, too, passed unanimously 5-0.

The Board decided to not take a stand on Article 41 regarding undergrounding the electrical wires since it was basically a Finance Committee issue.

Motion: Kay Halle made a motion to support Article 30 in the Annual Town Meeting section which deals in wetlands protection. Mark Baker seconded it and it passed 5-0.

The Board felt that Article 16 dealing with Growth Management merely defined Article 11 so there was no need to take a stand on it.

THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS CLOSED AT 6:45 P.M.

194 Bradford Street – new Title 5

The property has been upgraded to 4 bedrooms and needed only one variance to accomplish this. William Rogers, II, presented the plan (P-01-1671) to the Board. Sean O'Brien, our health agent, said he was in favor of the plan with the usual conditions.

Motion: Laura Davis made a motion to approve the plan with the following conditions:

- 1. there is to be no increase in habitable space.**
- 2. water saving devices must be installed, i.e., low-flush, etc.**

Kay Halle seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

3 Soper Street – new Title 5

Duane Gregory stepped down since she is an immediate abutter to the property.

William Rogers, II, presented the plan (P-01-1572A) for this property. Sean O'Brien approved of the proposed plan with a few conditions he felt would be prudent to impose.

Motion: Michele Couture made a motion to approve the plan with the following conditions:

- 1) the installation must be completed by June 15, 2001,**
- 2) a deed restriction must be placed on the property to limit it to 4 bedrooms,**
- 3) the leaching bed must be vented per the engineer's design, and**
- 4) the pressure dose system must be inspected on a quarterly basis each year.**

Kay Halle seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

Kay Halle made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2001 meeting labeled (minutes corrected as of March 12, 2001). Mark Baker seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0-1 abstention (Laura Davis)

Health Agent's Report:

Sean said Jackie Silver asked him to inform the Board that 3 cases of Hepatitis B have been discovered since the beginning of the year. Kay Halle wondered if the Board should do anything. Sean said he had a lot of pamphlets in the office and would supply some to the Board. He also suggested that Rita Mitchell (the County's Public Health Nurse) be contacted for further information. Michele thought that Diane Corbo might also be a ready source of guidance to the Board. Susan Williams at Outer Cape Health might be another valuable resource. Michele thought she might ask Diane Corbo to attend on the upcoming meeting for informational purposes regarding the issue.

Board Member's Statements:

Laura Davis wondered aloud why she didn't get the correct agenda for tonight's meeting?

Michele Couture praised the yellow sheet containing everyone's address, phone number, and e-mail address. Joy, the new secretary for the Health Department, assembled it and it was thought to be a valuable reference for everyone. Michele also received consensus from the Board to write a letter to the editor regarding the town meeting votes and sewer.

Kay Halle would like to have Jackie Silver look into cigarette smoking going on in two liquor stores; they are Big Vin's and Perry's. (Kay said she frequents Big Vin's because she likes their chips and Perry's carries another innocuous favorite?) Jackie will be requested to pursue the smoking issue.

Mark Baker, referring to the HIV/AIDS SUMMARY REPORT, asked the Board to send a letter supporting the needle exchange program.

Motion: Mark Baker made a motion for the Board of Health to send a letter to Jim Pipilas of the PASG reaffirming the Board's support of the PASG needle-exchange program. Michele Couture seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Duane Gregory asked for clarification of terminology of "failed septic" systems. Sean O'Brien obliged with a mini

explanation.

Motion: A motion to adjourn was made at 7:20 p.m., seconded and approved unanimously.

The next meeting will take place on March 29, 2001 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by _____ on _____
Michele Couture, Chairman date