



# Town Of Newbury

Office of  
Board of Health  
25 High Road  
Newbury, Mass. 01951

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING  
January 15, 2013

Chair Steve Fram opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Present were Elaine Byrne, Alba Gouldthorpe, and Health Agent Deborah Rogers. Health Inspector Virginia Bacon was absent.

Alba Gouldthorpe moved to accept the November 13, 2012 minutes as written, seconded by Elaine Byrne and voted unanimously.

Steve Fram suggested the December 11, 2012 draft meeting minutes need to include the Town Administrators and the Town Clerks comments. The comments were as followed; *the Town Administrator stated that due to the shortage in adequate funding for necessary town expenditures the Financial Committee is not likely to approve the Transfer Station budget for the coming fiscal year. The Town Clerk addressed the Board with her concerns regarding the time spent processing the sales of the Transfer Station stickers and addressing numerous complaints and concerns has become a burden to the Town Clerk's office. Furthermore, that with the increase in reporting requirements mandated by state law and lack of adequate office staffing that she is unable to devote the necessary time to devote to the sale of transfer station stickers.* It was moved by Elaine Byrne to re-submit the amended minutes at the next scheduled Board of Health meeting; it was seconded by Alba Gouldthorpe and voted unanimously.

99 MAIN STREET- Bob Grasso requested the following variance for 99 Main Street: The variance was to reduce the minimum separation distance between the bottom of the leach field and the seasonal high ground water from the 5 feet required to the 4 feet provided. This variance would eliminate the use of a pump chamber and help with the final grading towards the wetlands. It was moved by Alba Gouldthorpe to approve the 5 feet to 4 feet seasonal groundwater separation as submitted, it was seconded by Elaine Byrne and voted unanimously.

27 CENTRAL STREET- Bob Grasso requested the following variance for 27 Central Street: The variance was to reduce the minimum separation distance between the bottom of the leach field and the seasonal high ground water from the 4 feet required to the 3 feet provided. This variance would eliminate the use of a pump chamber. It was moved by Elaine Byrne to approve the 4 feet to 3 feet

seasonal groundwater separation as submitted, it was seconded by Alba Gouldthorpe and voted unanimously.

TEXTILE RECYCLING BINS- Jean O'Malley requested to the board permission to allow Textile Recycling Bins to be placed at the Newbury Transfer Station. This would allow Newbury Residents to recycle textiles which includes old fabrics, linens, materials, shoes, belts etc. The reusable textiles will be sent to third world countries. Steve will check with Mello Disposal regarding the placement of the Textile Recycling Bins. It was moved by Elaine Byrne to approve the Textile Recycling Bins at the Newbury Transfer Station on the contingency of approval from Mello Disposal; it was seconded by Alba Gouldthorpe and voted unanimously.

TRASH TOWER- Carol Baum from 48 Hay Street in Newbury approached the Board for approval of a trash tower on the Newbury Green. This trash tower would educate people on the decomposition and accumulation regarding the trash that Ms. Baum picks up on a weekly basis. She is requesting permission from the Newbury Conservation Agent and the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen has asked her to come before the Board of Health for their input. Alba Gouldthorpe would like to see what the abutters think of this idea. Ms. Baum explained, after approval from the Board of Selectmen, she would need to raise money. After money is raised she would work with the Triton Regional High Schools art program to design an artistic tower. It was moved by Elaine Byrne in favor of the Trash Tower it was seconded by Alba Gouldthorpe and voted unanimously. Deb Rogers was asked to send an email to the Board of Selectmen stating that the Board of Health did not object to the proposed Trash Tower that needs the Board of Selectmen's approval.

66 COTTAGE ROAD- It was brought to the Board of Health's attention that the private well located at 66 Cottage Road needed to be relocated as indicated in the original Title 5 inspection report dated February 7, 2002. Deb Rogers sent a letter to the homeowner on December 18, 2012 requesting the homeowner to contact the Board of Health office by January 10, 2013 to discuss the relocation of the drinking well. The homeowner has not contacted the Board of Health office. It was moved by Elaine Byrne to start the condemnation order for 66 Cottage Road with notice; it was seconded by Alba Gouldthorpe and voted unanimously.

TRANSFER STATION CORRESPONDENCE- the Board Members read the Transfer Station correspondence; they appreciated their comments and concerns, they are taking all recommendations under advisement. It was moved by Alba Gouldthorpe to receive and file all transfer station correspondence; it was seconded by Elaine Byrne and voted unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10pm

The next meeting of the Board of Health will be on February 19, 2013 at 7:00 pm

Respectively submitted,  
Deborah Rogers