

The regular meeting of the Board of Health came to order at 7:32 p.m. Present for this meeting were: Tony Berberabe, Tracy Carluccio, Tim Martin, Ted Peyrek III, Larry Tatsch and David Wang-Iverson. Les Hamilton and Jim Rosso were absent.

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this meeting was advertised as a regularly scheduled meeting in the January 29, 2009 issue of the Hunterdon County Democrat. Notice of the meeting was discussed with and sent to the applicants, filed with the Township Clerk, posted on the Township bulletin board and sent to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Trenton Times on August 14, 2009.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA REVIEW

Deputy Clerk, Carolyn Fritsch stated with regard to the agenda review, two items had been added to the agenda under Items of Discussion, Educational and Health Issues.

The first was the fax of August 14, 2009 from LINC'S Re: CDC Updates Recommendations for the Amount of Time Person with Flu-Like Illness should be away from others.

The second was the Volunteer List for the East Amwell Township booth at the 4-H Fair.

Ms. Carluccio thanked Ms. Fritsch for filling in for the former Board of Health Secretary, Darlis Maksymovich, and successfully pulling the meeting together.

PRESENTATION OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Tatsch motioned to approve the June 16, 2009 minutes, seconded by Mr. Wang-Iverson, with the following correction:

Page 1, under Unfinished and New Business, item 1 - MTBE, line 5: remove the 6th word "had".

Mr. Martin abstained. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Martin motioned to approve the July 21, 2009 minutes, seconded by Mr. Tatsch, with the following corrections made by Mr. Wyckoff of the Hunterdon County Department of Health (with regard to the portrayal of his report):

Page 1, under Unfinished and New Business, item 1, the last sentence, the word "annual" is to be replaced by "quarterly". Item 3, first line - remove "Mr. Wyckoff" and replace with: "the Hunterdon County Department of Health".

Mr. Peyrek abstained. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There being no comments from the public, Mr. Tatsch motioned to close the public comment portion of the meeting, seconded by Mr. Martin, and carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS

A. Hunterdon County Inspector's Report

- 1. MTBE - VICINITY OF ROUTE 202/31 & ROUTE 514 OLD YOR ROAD** - Hunterdon County Department of Health Inspector Dan Wyckoff stated with regard to the MTBE, there were no further updates at this time, but they will continue to monitor progress.
- 2. OWENS, (A.K.A. WOODY'S), B 16, L 11**, - no further update at this time.

- 3. LETTERS OF INCOMPLETE FILE NOTICE FOR WELLS DATED MAY11, 2009 AND JUNE 1, 2009 – (As noted in the June 16, 2009 minutes) - No change on any of the wells. Nothing has been filed and they are still being monitored.**

Mr. Tatsch asked Mr. Wyckoff if the County Department of Health did an inspection on Spring Hill Road. Mr. Tatsch had called in a complaint on Thursday, August 13th of possible septic effluent in a ditch on Spring Hill Road. Mr. Wyckoff said the issue had not been brought to his attention; however it was quite possible the site had been observed. Mr. Wyckoff stated he was unable to give Mr. Tatsch a report at this time.

B. Preview Committee –

Nothing at this time.

C. Mathew Miller, B 40.03, L 16.01 & 16.02, 252 Rileyville Road – Well test Result discussion

Mr. Miller identified himself.

Ms. Carluccio stated three wells have been drilled on the property.

Mr. Wang-Iverson was the well witness. Hydrogeologist, Vince Uhl, recommended both wells, # 2 and # 3, be run simultaneously during testing. The wells are 400 feet deep. The peak demand test was run for both wells simultaneously and there were no issues. The constant rate test was also run simultaneously. The tests were run for 4 hours. Well #2 resulted in about ½ gallon per minute. Well #3 resulted in .7 gallons per minute. The test was repeated on well #3 the following week, with the same results.

Mr. Miller wants to build a 3 bedroom house on the property which requires a minimum flow of 1 ½ gallons of water per minute. The two wells are producing 1.2 gallons per minute. There is a third well on the property that might make up the difference to provide the required 1.5 gallons per minute.

Mr. Wang Iverson stated interference testing was run on two of the neighbor's wells, and there was no evidence that there was any interference with either neighbor's well during the four hours of the test.

One of the neighbors, Mr. Smith, had asked during the test if any of the wells would affect the recharge rate of his well. Mr. Wang-Iverson consulted Mr. Tatsch with regard to the question, and Mr. Tatsch felt that the chance for interference in that area was low. If the well did not show a "draw-down" then it is unlikely to have its recharge rate affected.

Discussion was held with regard to the tests to be run in order to consider using the third well, #1, to meet the 1.5 gallon per minute requirement. Consideration was given to using Mr. Miller's existing wells # 2 & # 3 as observation wells. Concerns were expressed that the neighbor's should be afforded the opportunity to have interference testing run on their wells if they chose. The decision was made to consult Hydrogeologist Vince Uhl on this matter. Mr. Tatsch will send Mr. Uhl a proposal with regard to performing the constant rate test, and using wells #2 & # 3 as observation wells. Mr. Tatsch asked Mr. Miller if he had considered hydrofracking one of the 3 wells. Mr. Miller replied wells # 1 & # 2 had been hydrofracked.

Mr. Miller asked if the Board would require he place pumps in all the wells to produce water for his home once he received certification. His intent was to only place a pump in well # 3, which was the highest yielding well. Well # 1 and # 2 would be back-up wells.

Mr. Tatsch said the Board's requirements are: in order to develop the property, the applicant needs to demonstrate that the wells can produce adequate water. As long as the wells are tested and certified to produce the 1.5 gallons per minute, the applicant can choose to place a pump only in one well after certification is received.

Mr. Miller will need to notify the residents within the 1000 foot radius to offer interference testing and provide proof of such.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

A. Education and Health Issues

Item #9 – Volunteer List for the East Amwell Township Booth at the 4-H Fair
The Environmental Commission has taken charge of the booth and they are looking for volunteers to man the booth. The members of the Board were asked to e-mail Mike Petrus if they could volunteer any time.

The East Amwell Environmental Commission is responsible for initiating recycling for the 4-H Fair. East Amwell Environmental Commission and Recycling Committee worked very hard and had to overcome many hurdles, but the Fair has now had recycling for the last few years. This year the County is providing the containers. Ms. Carluccio stated she was proud of the Environmental Commission and the Recycling Committee. The members of the Board concurred.

B. Administrative Officer's Report

Ms. Carluccio said she would like to draw up a certificate of appreciation for former Board of Health Secretary, Darlis Maksymovich, commending her for her great service for the past 10 years.

Mr. Martin motioned, seconded by Mr. Wang-Iverson to draw up a certificate of appreciation for Darlis Maksymovich. The motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

A. East Amwell

7. Stover, 68 Back Brook Rd., Ringoes, BOA Application – Pole Barn –
The Pole barn is going to be located where another building had been located. There does not appear to be infringement upon a septic field, or any other issues.

8. E-mail from L. Tatsch, Re: Spring Hill Road Pipe, B 36, L 15,
HCBOH Complaint #C-08-21-09 – This issue came to light when the ditch on Spring Hill Road was being cleaned out. Administrator, Tim Matheny, and DPW Superintendent, Robert Kadezabek, were looking at the construction on Spring Hill Road and the drainage pipe was discovered. Mr. Tatsch took pictures with his camera phone. The effluent looks very suspicious. The pipe is located in East Amwell. The situation was reported to Hunterdon County Department of Health for investigation and action.

BILLS OF THE EVENING

Hopewell Valley Engineering – Soil Witnessing, - B 25, L 19, - \$740.00

Mr. Tatsch motioned to approve the bill of the evening, seconded by Mr. Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There being no public, the motion was made by Mr. Martin to close the public session, seconded by Mr. Tatsch and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Martin motioned, seconded by Mr. Wang-Iverson to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Fritsch, Deputy Clerk