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MEETING MINUTES

February 24, 2014

Members Present: Sarah Scheinfein, Tina Shenko, John Wentzell

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Dennis Costello (Sanitation Agent)

Recorder: Melanie Rich

OTHER BUSINESS

Public Hearing to Modify Flood Hazard Management Regulations – Changes were required to the regulations per the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Sarah Scheinfein made a motion to accept the regulation changes; Tina Shenko seconded; all agreed; motion approved.

Karen Barber (Parks & Rec) Walking Club – Karen would like to form a walking group with a goal of 10 million steps in 2014. The program will begin April 28th and run through October 25th. How to track progress was discussed. Karen and Sarah will determine the best way to get the information out to the community (Banner, WBAC, Council on Aging, etc.). The Board of Health will supply the goody bags.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Vouchers were approved.

Tina Shenko made a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes dated January 27, 2014; John Wentzell seconded; all agreed; motion approved.

March 24th was confirmed as the date for the next meeting.

Town Water Violation Notice to Board of Health – Dennis contacted the Water Department. They said the violation is really an “indicator” that something has gone into the system. It could be viral, bacterial, etc. The Water District will email the board their report.

Syringe Needle Clipper Follow-Up – Tina researched and found the cost for one is \$3.87. Dennis will ask our medical waste provider.

Burial Agent Designation – The board authorized the Town Clerk to act as the agent for the Board of Health in issuing burial permits for the town.

AGENT'S REPORT

Tahanto Septic Tank – Vincent Vignaly (DCR Water Supply Protection Division) was in attendance for a status report. They are investigating the leaking septic system. Dennis informed the school of the violation. He met with Superintendent Ekstrom who said it was leaking since the end of December. It is up to the school, since they own it, to come up with a solution to stop the effluent. The septic tank has been discharging, but responsibility has not been established. He did an onsite tank inspection last Tuesday with the DCR, Fire Department, Water District and engineers. April is slated for repair. They are saying it's not impacting the groundwater. Lakeside Sewerage will start pumping it out immediately and continue to pump on an as needed basis. In a letter given to Superintendent Ekstrom by Dennis today, she is to provide written documentation by Friday, February 28, 2014 and include (1) immediate plan to prevent further discharge, (2) inspection reports from December 2013, (3) pumping and inspection reports from the contractor/septic installer for the time period December 15, 2012 through December 1, 2013, and (4) plan and timetable for the repair and/or replacement of the septic tank. There is a meeting tomorrow with the school that Dennis will be attending. Mr. Vignaly said it has been discharging 3,000 gallons per day since December. The water quality is not good. They have asked for the pumping records from Lakeside and were told they did not have them. DCR has not yet received a response to their letter dated February 14, 2014. Mr. Vignaly's concern is that it is stopped. This was not requested in the letter Dennis sent today. Dennis said he expects to hear from the school by Friday. Mr. Vignaly said he doesn't want to wait until Friday. Dennis will talk to them tomorrow.

Ray Reynolds came in to ask questions regarding Lots 1 and 2 on School Street. Dennis said they are the process of obtaining plan approval and is waiting for a new plan. It originally came in as a single lot. They have since turned the system and soil testing was done but more is needed.

PLAN REVIEW

Lot 1 – School Street (Clark Realty) – Reviewed but not signed off

Lot 2 – School Street (Clark Realty) – Reviewed but not signed off

Lot 37A – Compass Pointe – Waiting for more information

Lot 38A – Compass Pointe – Waiting for more information

Tina made a motion to adjourn; John seconded; all agreed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.