

**MINUTES
BOARD OF HEALTH
TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM
OCTOBER 12, 2004**

President James Brown called the regular meeting of the Board of Health to order at 7:30 p.m.

Answering present to the roll call were Dr. Marano, Mr. O'Connor, Dr. Shelley, Mr. Nachtigal and Mr. Brown.

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Health was given as required by the Open Public Meetings Act as follows: Notice was given to both the Chatham Courier and the Morris County Daily Record on January 14, 2004; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 14, 2004; and notice was filed with the Township Clerk on January 14, 2004.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Brown moved to approve the minutes of September 14, 2004. Dr. Shelley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Reports

Registered Environmental Health Specialist-

Irena Bairova, Registered Environmental Health Specialist, reported a new store Chatham Wine & Liquor opened up that has some pre-packaged foods. Mrs. Bairova advised all the retail food inspections were satisfactory. The new restaurant Tolima was also inspected. One dog bite was reported on Hall Road. Mrs. Bairova did septic inspections at 7 Loantaka Lane North and 550 River Road. Mrs. Bairova advised the maintenance of a house on Mountainview Avenue was still pending. The complaints about odors near Chatham Hill Apartments and a house on Spring Valley Road have been rectified. Also, Briarwood Condo provided a dehumidifier in a basement that helped the mold situation. Mrs. Bairova advised she had attended a seminar about mold.

Registrar

Mrs. Wiley reported the following licenses were issued during the month of September:

5 Marriage Licenses	\$140
17 Certified copies of marriage licenses	<u>68</u>
Total	\$208

Secretary

With regard to compliance with septic licenses, Mrs. Wiley advised third requests had been mailed out and about 25-30 homeowners still have not complied with the pumping requirement.

Mr. Brown moved to accept the reports. Mr. Nachtigal seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

New Business

Septic Application – Block 63, Lot 9.03, 567 River Road

The owner, Nick Parisi, and the engineer, Thomas Olenik, from Semester Consultants, Inc. were present. Mr. Olenik advised they had received approval from the Planning Board for a minor subdivision and that a transition area waiver was obtained from the NJ DEP. Mr. Parisi advised the system is designed for five bedrooms and that the possible fifth bedroom is in the basement area. Mr. Parisi distributed copies of the house plans to the Board to review.

Carrie Feuer, P.E., from Metcalf and Eddy Inc. advised the application for a conceptual subdivision was conditionally approved at a Board of Health meeting on August 13, 2002 and

Resolution 2002-9 was issued on October 10, 2002. Mrs. Feuer advised the drawings were submitted in September 2004 and resubmitted with revisions on October 9, 2004. Mrs. Feuer said the comments noted in M&E's letter dated October 5, 2004 were addressed and would therefore recommend approval. Mrs. Feuer then highlighted various aspects that were significant. The location of the house was slightly moved and enlarged; however the septic system was the same as it was. The number of bedrooms and house footprint have been clarified. With regard to wetlands, the two requirements were met. A transition area waiver has been obtained and the letters certifying that both properties are suitable for septic systems have been provided. Mrs. Feuer also clarified the seasonal high water table logs for the system put in two and half years ago.

Mr. Brown moved to approve the application for a new individual sewage disposal system for Block 63, Lot 9.03, 567 River Road. Mr. O'Connor seconded the motion.

Roll call: Dr. Marano, Aye; Mr. O'Connor, Aye; Dr. Shelley, Aye; Mr. Nachtigal, Aye; Mr. Brown, Aye.

Discussion:

1. Madison Board of Health Contract- Attorney Taormina and Mr. Brown reviewed the contract with Madison Board of Health and noted it was the same as last year.

Mr. Brown moved to approve the contract with Madison Board of Health for 2005 and 2006. Mr. Nachtigal seconded the motion.

Roll call: Dr. Marano, Aye; Mr. O'Connor, Aye; Dr. Shelley, Aye; Mr. Nachtigal, Aye; Mr. Brown, Aye.

John Theese, Health Officer, provided an update on the influenza vaccine shortage and advised only one half the expected supply of influenza vaccine is available this year. Mr. Theese advised the Center Disease Control (CDC) is recommending that high-risk groups be vaccinated and those not in one of the priority groups should be asked to defer the vaccination. The CDC will start distributing the vaccine that they have to hospitals and long-term care facilities. Mr. Theese said he hoped everyone is following the guidelines. Mr. O'Connor noted the article in the Independent Press. The Board thanked Mr. Theese for coming to the meeting.

2. Well Ordinance- Attorney Taormina distributed a draft of the well ordinance for the Board to review and to discuss at the next meeting. Attorney Taormina advised the Board had looked at ordinances from several towns and took pieces from each of them.

Before adjourning, Mrs. Wiley advised the Board about an ordinance prohibiting the feeding of wildlife that the Township Committee may introduce on Thursday night that involves enforcement by the Board of Health.

Mr. Brown moved to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. Dr. Shelley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Joy M. Wiley
Board of Health Secretary