

**BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2014**

The Tewksbury Township Board of Health met in regular session at 7:30 P.M. on the above date, in the Mountainville Meeting Hall, 60 Water Street, Mountainville, NJ. Chairwoman Janet Masterton presided.

Other members present were Anthony Formica and alternate Melissa Burreuzo,

Shirley Czajkowski, Jennifer Kraft, Anna Maria Miele and alternate Anthony Miele were excused.

Bob Vaccarella of the Hunterdon County Division of Public Health was also present.

**1. Open Public Meetings Statement**

The Open Public Meetings Statement was read by Ms. Masterton.

**2. Flag Salute**

Those present stood and pledged allegiance to the American flag.

**3. Action to be Taken**

Alteration for Block 5 Lot 2.13-distance well- reserve

Jim Madsen of Apgar Associated was present to request a waiver to locate the reserve area 77 feet from the existing well: the State requirement is 100 feet of separation. Mr. Madsen noted that the asphalt driveway was initially constructed over the reserve area. It was noted that State Statute allows the distance to be reduced to 50 feet provided there is a minimum of 50 feet of casing on the well. The existing well is encased to 78 feet.

Discussion followed regarding the homeowner's plan to remove some of the driveway as the property currently is over the impervious cover minimum.

The property owner James Maione stated that he purchased the home in 2013 and was advised that the impervious coverage percentage was too high so he has been working to reduce that number. He added that he is planning a 500 square foot addition to the home in the form of a mud/sun room.

Discussion followed regarding moving the reserve area and/or elongating the field. It was noted that the driveway and other improvements were already part of the property when Mr. Maione purchased it.

Mr. Maione stated that he is interested in complying with the Township rules and regulations, adding that the tanks are currently too close to the existing structure and they will be moved into the back yard. He added that Mr. Hull, Superintendent of Public Works came to view the property and it was determined that removal of a section of the driveway not on the original site plan would drop the impervious coverage percentage to 8 percent.

Mr. Vaccarella stated his agreement with the engineer, adding that having the reserve tank located 77 feet distant from well should not pose a problem because of the documented 78 feet of well casing. He noted that the current system is ten years old and with maintenance and upkeep, it should be good for another ten years. In the event the reserve was needed in the future, the applicant would have to come back to the Board with a plan for a distance waiver.

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In response to a question from Ms. Masterton, Mr. Maione stated that the existing structure has five bedrooms, five full baths and two half baths. The additions will create no new bedrooms or bathrooms.

It was noted that a 1500 gallon tank and 1500 gallon pump pit are being installed. In response to Mr. Formica's statement that the distance is a considerable length to pump, Mr. Madsen stated that the pump is adequate and the location of the field is the original location.

Ms. Masterton made a motion to approve the waiver to locate the reserve area 77 feet from the existing well on the property located at Block 5 Lot 2.13. It was noted that the existing well is encased to 78 feet and State Statute allows for the distance of <100 feet if the well is encased with at least 50 feet of casing.

She added that she would like to see all issues pertaining to the waiver made part of documentation so that full disclosure is available for future purchasers.

Mr. Maione fully agreed with this suggestion.

Mr. Formica seconded the above noted motion. The motion was approved. Ayes: Burreuzo, Formica, Masterton. Nays: none. Absent: Czajkowski, Kraft, Miele, Miele.

Mr. Maione thanked the Board, adding that he was anxious to get started on the project. He added that he will also speak with the Township Zoning Officer and Construction Officer.

**4. Correspondence**

- a. From ADS Environmental Inc. – site remediation finalization B 6.04 L 24.03

**5. Minutes**

Ms. Masterton made a motion to adopt the minutes of 01/07/14 and 05/06/14, seconded by Ms. Burreuzo. The motion was approved. Ayes: Burreuzo, Formica, Masterton. Nays: none. Absent: Czajkowski, Kraft, Miele, Miele.

- Minutes of 01/07/14 and 05/06/14

**6. Reports**

**Animal Bite Report**

05-18-14	Daniel Russell – Danielle Tomaro	bitten by dog	all dogs released
08-08-14	Claude Jackson	bitten by dog	owned by Bonny Terry
08-14-14	Laura Rossiter	– 2 dogs & 2 cats	exposed to a bat
09-05-14	Pamela Dominguez-	bitten by dog	owned by Christine Peterson

**Animal Control Officer Report**

May, June, July, August, September 2014

**Suspected Hazardous Substance Discharge Notification**

1 Ambest Road	Liquid nitrogen
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8 Tamarack Farm Lane	UST removal
68 Old Turnpike Road	UST removal
56 Sawmill Road	Creek near residence – grey water observed

**7. Board Member Comments**

A recent incident in nearby Chester that involved an individual being bitten by a coyote was mentioned. General discussion followed regarding rabies in Hunterdon County, the prevalence of deer and now bear in the Township and the need to stay alert. It was suggested that information be made readily available to the public listing general information related to bear control and general information.

Chairwoman Masterton noted that the Rabies Clinic that was held on October 4 went well. No syringes were made available from the County for the clinic, so Dr. Owren-Fayne of the Oldwick Animal Hospital was able to supply the syringes. Ms. Brassard will contact the County to determine the reasoning for this.

It was suggested that an article for the Tewksbury Times be submitted in advance of the 2015 Rabies Clinic outlining the procedures for bringing an animal(s) to the clinic in a safe and responsible manner.

Chairwoman Masterton noted that the Board has only had three meetings in 2014, but whenever a meeting is cancelled it is due to a lack of business and she and the Board Secretary discuss the agenda prior to making a determination to cancel.

Mr. Vaccarella note that many Boards of Health in the County are less busy than in years past and there have been fewer scheduled meetings.

Ms. Masterton stated that she is committed to being a responsible Board member and Chair and stressed that if a meeting is ever needed to serve the public, she will always work to accommodate scheduling a meeting.

**8. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta A. Brassard  
Board of Health Secretary