



TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE
BOARD OF HEALTH

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The Northbridge Board of Health approved these minutes at a meeting held February 9, 2010.

MEETING MINUTES - JANUARY 5, 2010

This meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Paul McKeon, Chairman. Other members present were Mr. Steven Garabedian and Ms. Ann Marie Thompson. Mr. Chris Cella and Mr. Scott Chase were absent. Also present was Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator.

Minutes: A motion was made by Mr. Garabedian to accept the minutes of December 15, 2009. Motion seconded by Mr. McKeon; the vote was 2-0 in favor; Ms. Thompson abstained.

Quaker Street Landfill: The Board reviewed the price proposal of \$500 from BETA Group to complete the SW-22 DEP application to request a reduction in monitoring at the Quaker Street Landfill. BETA Group estimates the annual monitoring cost savings to be \$3,100. The Board noted that the Town is required to monitor this site until 2027. The DEP application fee is \$1,125.

Motion made by Mr. Garabedian to instruct BETA Group to move forward with the SW-22 DEP application. Motion seconded by Ms. Thompson; the vote was all in favor.

The Board also reviewed the BETA Group proposal to conduct just one round of landfill monitoring as the next round of monitoring is scheduled for January 2010. This simple contract would allow us to continue our required monitoring without entering into any unnecessary monitoring pending the decision of the DEP on the Town's SW-22 application.

Motion made by Ms. Thompson to accept the BETA Group proposal for landfill monitoring in January 2010. Motion seconded by Mr. Garabedian; the vote was all in favor.

H1N1 Vaccine Update: Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that the next clinic is scheduled for Saturday January 9, 2010 at the Northbridge High School and that this clinic is open to the public. Residents and non-residents of any age are able to attend.

Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that she would prefer to provide volunteers who work as "floaters" in H1N1 clinics to be paid via a gift card rather than check. A check would require completion of W-9 forms and social security numbers for each volunteer. She stated that she spoke with Kerry Clark, the Region 2 Coordinator and overseer of the PHER funds, to ask if this was acceptable. His response was that gift cards were fine as long as receipts were kept and a record of who received these cards and why was maintained.

Motion made by Ms. Thompson to amend of the motion of December 15, 2009 to allow for the payment of "floaters" at the H1N1 clinics to be paid via gift cards in the amount of \$50 – no other changes to the December 15, 2009 motion for payment of clinic staff. Motion seconded by Mr. Garabedian; the vote was all in favor.

760 Providence Road – Private/Public Water Supply: The Board reviewed correspondence from DEP that notes their determination that this property does not meet the definition of a public water supply system.

Mr. McKeon informed the Board that the church seeking to occupy this property has applied for a building permit and that a water quality sample is to be taken and those results are to be submitted within 30 days to this office. No further action required at this time.

Quaker Street – Christine Taylor – Stable Permit: Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that Mr. Ed Mansfield, Inspector of Animals, conducted an inspection of this property and has determined that the well is located 77-feet from the stable. Northbridge well regulations require that the well be located 100-feet from a stable.

The Board discussed whether the stable permit could be allowed with this information. Mr. Garabedian and Ms. Thompson felt that the Board needed the opinion of Town Counsel with regard to whether the leased land would meet the one acre requirement before addressing the well location.

The Board will submit all required documentation to Town Counsel for their opinion. This matter was tabled to the next meeting of the Board.

2009 Annual Report: The Board reviewed the 2009 Annual Report for publication. No changes were made to the draft.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn at 7:50 PM was made by Ms. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Garabedian – all in favor.

Attested by,

Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrative Assistant