

LUNENBURG BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, September 18, 2023

The Board of Health met at 7:00 pm at the Ritter Memorial Building

Members Present: George Emond, Perry Jewell, Paul Fortin, Evan Watters and Lisa Normandin

MINUTES

None

86 OAK RIDGE

Jack Maloney met with the board of behalf of the owner. Also present where Dale and Kevin Lucier and Francis Bergeron, abutters.

Currently there is a cesspool on the property, which is in failure. The property is served by a private well and in addition, there are abutting wells within 100 feet of the proposed system. One of the abutting wells serves more than one property. This was a challenging lot. The lot is small in size, has wetlands (lake), abutting wells all less than 100 feet from the proposed system.

What is being proposed is a Singular treatment tank, which would reduce the strength of the wastewater before it is discharged into the ground. The treatment tank requires a service contract. The alternative is a tight tank, which both the board and DEP do not favor.

They are also proposing replacing the existing wall with an engineered block wall and wrapping the system in a poly barrier.

Variances requested are:

Offset to well:	100' to 55'	#84
	100' to 89'	#80
	100' to 62.5'	#86
Wetlands:	100' to 50'	
Property line:	10' to 7.4'	
Cellar Wall	Tank - 7' to SAS -6'	
Only one deep hole		

Currently, this property has a cesspool. The system being proposed is a vast improvement in a septic system without having to install a tight tank. The proposed system is farther away from the well and provides treatment prior to being discharged to the ground. The tank requires a Maintenance Agreement and the surrounding wells will be tested. A two bedroom deed restriction is also required.

After discussion and on motion by Jewell and second by Normandin, the variances were approved with the condition of a Maintenance Agreement on the tank, two bedroom deed restriction and testing of abutting wells. All in favor.

318 HOWARD STREET

Brian Melisi met with the board of behalf of the owner. Also present was Kevin O'Brien, owner.

This system on this lot is in failure with the leaching area in high ground water. The property has high ground water.

Variances requested are:

Offset to groundwater 4' to 3'
Inlet and outlet tees

Both Mr. Melisi and owner Kevin O'Brien agreed to install a new septic tank and move both the septic tank and pump chamber closer to the road. The groundwater offset variance helps with grading.

After discussion and on motion by Normandin and second by Fortin, the variances were approved. All in favor.

NEW NASHOBA AGENT

Jim Garreffi met with the board to introduce Cara Olejarz. Ms. Olejarz will be Lunenburg's new Nashoba Agent starting October 2, 2023. Ms. Olejarz has been with Nashoba since November, 2022 and has completed training.

Jim Garreffi stated that he is looking to even out his time and reduce the number of towns he is currently committed to. He will continue to be available to the board should they require it. Ms. Olejarz is also the agent for Shirley. She will be in Lunenburg on Mondays and Wednesday from 10 until noon. Jim Garreffi stated that he feels Ms. Olejarz is more than ready to be our agent.

The Board welcomed her.

Having no further matters before the board and on motion by Watters and seconded by Normandin, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm, all in favor.