

**MINUTES
BOARD OF HEALTH
TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM
JULY 9, 2019**

Mr. Nachtigal called the regular meeting of the Board of Health to order at 7:34 P.M.

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 9, 2019; notice was posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway of the Municipal Building on January 9, 2019; and notice was filed with the Township Clerk on January 9, 2019.

Roll Call

Answering present to the roll call were Mrs. Chang, Mrs. Plantemoli and Mr. Nachtigal. Mr. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Dolan and Mr. Samara were also present. Mrs. Gardner and Mr. Ritter were absent. Ms. Taormina was also absent.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Nachtigal asked for a clarification to be made in the minutes in the May 14th meeting regarding his comments on generator noise.

Mrs. Plantemoli moved to approve the minutes as amended. Mrs. Chang seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Reports

Registered Environmental Health Specialist

Mr. Samara reported that several retail food establishment inspections were conducted in May, and all were satisfactory. Swimming pools were also inspected, and all were able to open prior to Memorial Day.

Mr. Nachtigal asked if there are different water quality standards for natural bathing water such as Colony Pool. Mr. Samara said that they are required to submit water quality reports on a regular basis.

Mr. Samara reported that a noise complaint regarding a generator on Longwood is being investigated. Mr. Nachtigal asked that Mr. Samara get a response from the generator's manufacturer on how often the generator needs to be run for maintenance and how the noise can be mitigated. Mrs. Chang noted that generators would be less of an issue if power did not go out as often. Mr. Nachtigal questioned what constitutes an emergency requiring use of a generator, and what is merely an inconvenience. Mrs. Plantemoli noted that time of year may be a factor, as lack of heat in winter poses a threat. Setbacks for generators were discussed, and Mr. Samara noted that sound level measurements need to be taken at the property line.

Mr. Samara reported on the June retail food establishment inspections, and noted that Charlie Brown's received a conditional approval. He noted that a noise issue regarding a noise issue related to an air conditioning unit on Johnson Drive has been resolved.

Health Officer

Mr. Fitzpatrick provided an update on a hoarding issue at a house on Fairmount Avenue. He said that the resident is not yet back in the house due to a medical issue. He also discussed the cleanup effort at the house.

Public Health Nurse

Mrs. Dolan gave a report for May and June. She reported that cases where children were tested for lead all fell within the normal range. Immunization audit workshops are being held in August. Mrs. Dolan said that in the summer there is usually an uptick in food borne and water borne communicable diseases. Flu shot clinics will be scheduled, and the Township clinic is

planned to be held on October 16th. Mrs. Dolan said that the H3N2 will be changed in the 2019 flu vaccine. A blood testing clinic will be held on September 25th, and the test will be for 23 components. Mrs. Dolan also commented on recent measles outbreaks, and the outbreaks in New Jersey are over. She also noted that there are two areas in New York City that are experiencing new cases.

Registrar of Vital Statistics

Mr. LaConte reported that fees were collected for the following items in May 2019:

2 Marriage License	\$56
5 Death Certificates	<u>\$30</u>
Total	\$86

Mr. LaConte reported that fees were collected for the following items in June 2019:

5 Marriage Licenses	\$140
1 Marriage Certificates	<u>\$ 10</u>
Total	\$150

Board of Health Secretary

Mr. LaConte reported that renewal of septic licenses has been an ongoing process. He noted that licenses are renewed every three years, and part of the renewal process is a requirement for septic tanks to be pumped.

Mr. Nachtigal moved to accept the reports as given. Mrs. Plantemoli seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Septic System Applications

462 Green Village Road – Block 139 Lot 51

Design engineer Steve Parker was present to expound the application. Mr. Parker said that the existing system is malfunctioning. He also said that there are two dwelling units on the property, and the proposal is to have one shared system for both dwellings, each with its own tank. He also said that the disposal field is in the rear of the property, and the soils are very permeable. Mr. Parker said that the proposal is for a mounded system due to the high water table. He also said that the items in the review letter from Mott MacDonald have all been addressed.

Mr. Samara said that he had witnessed the soil logs, and the disposal field is proposed for the driest area of the property. Mr. Fitzpatrick asked about the proposed pump tank. Mr. Parker said that a 1750 gallon pump tank is proposed, which meets the requirements. Mr. Fitzpatrick also asked about the septic tanks. Mr. Parker said that each dwelling unit will have its own 1000 gallon septic tank. Mr. Nachtigal said that the plans show the two 1000 gallon tanks feeding into the 1750 gallon pump tank. Mr. Fitzpatrick asked if the second tank should be 1500 gallons. Mr. Parker said that the plans could have had one larger tank, but the two 1000 gallon tanks will offer better settlement. He also noted that the two tanks combined offer a higher capacity than what is required.

Mr. Nachtigal asked how the regulations address having two dwellings and only one disposal field. Mr. Parker said that there could be two separate fields, but having only one is allowed. He also said that the field has been sized for combined flow of the two tanks. Mr. Fitzpatrick said that based on the total number of bedrooms, he does not have any objection to having one disposal field for the two dwellings. Mr. Parker noted that the disposal field is designed to handle more flow than what would be anticipated for the number of bedrooms.

Mr. Nachtigal asked Mr. Parker if the design proposed is the best possible design for the subject property. Mr. Parker said that it is.

Mr. Nachtigal read into the record the review memorandum from Mott MacDonald.

Mr. Nachtigal asked about the wetlands on the property. Mr. Parker said that there are not actually any wetlands on the property, however a DEP map shows wetlands in the rear of the

property. He also said that there are not any wetlands in the area of the disposal field. Mr. Fitzpatrick asked about the elevation of the wetlands compared to the elevation of the disposal field. Mr. Parker said that the lowest point of the property is the back right corner with an elevation of 100 feet, and the disposal field will have an elevation of 104 feet. The laterals will have an elevation of 105.8. Mr. Parker also noted that the high water table is 2 feet below ground.

Mr. Nachtigal asked if the applicant will apply for a GP25. Mr. Parker said that they can apply for a GP25, and reiterated that there are not any wetlands on the property.

Mr. Nachtigal moved to approve the septic application for 462 River Road, contingent upon the applicant obtaining a GP25 from the NJDEP. Mrs. Plantemoli seconded the motion.

Roll call: Mr. Ritter, Absent; Mrs. Chang, Aye; Mrs. Gardner, Absent; Mrs. Plantemoli, Aye; Mr. Nachtigal, Aye.

Meeting Open to Public

Mr. Nachtigal opened the meeting to the public.
Seeing no comment, the public hearing was closed.

Mr. Nachtigal moved to adjourn at 8:29 PM. Mrs. Plantemoli seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Gregory J. LaConte
Board of Health Secretary