

Board of Health Minutes

October 30, 2023

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with Ms. Amodei, Ms. Moeller and Mr. Parkin present. Ms. Braley, our Nashoba Agent, was also present.

155 Off Pond Street

The owner of the property and her realtor were present. A couple who are interested in purchasing the property was also present.

The history of Title 5 reports performed at 4 different times at this property is troubling. In all instances all 4 reports were performed by different inspectors who passed the inspection when they should not have due to the distance between the well and septic system. Title 5 states that no septic system and well shall be within 50-100 feet of each other. In this case the distance is 34 feet. The present owner purchased the property around 2018 and was told that Title 5 passed. Now she is faced with a failed Title 5 report that she was originally told passed. She has buyers waiting to purchase the property and feels the Board should make an exception due to the error made in the past.

Ms. Amodei stated that the owners will have to hire an engineer to find the best solution to the problem. The engineers will make an educated decision on how to proceed. Adjacent wells and septic systems will have to be located and possibly tested. The approval of the existing system is out of the hands of the Board since it does not meet State Title 5 regulations. They will accept the best option possible presented by your engineers to them with Ms. Braley's approval.

The Board will decide what to do about the Title 5 inspector who filed the erroneous reports after Ms. Braley checks with DEP. The Board of Health has no jurisdiction over them since DEP is the agency that licenses them.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of May 23 and August 5, 2023, were approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.