

**HARDING TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF HEALTH
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023**

Meeting Minutes

Dr. Cervone called the March 9, 2023 meeting of the Harding Township Board of Health to order at 7:30 p.m., and announced the meeting was called in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

ROLL CALL:

Secretary Sharp called the following Board of Health members in attendance.

BOH Attendance: Dr. Cervone, Mr. DeNave, Mrs. DiTosto, Dr. Lacz, and Mrs. Somers

Absent: Mrs. Chipperson and Mrs. McKittrick

Health Department Attendance: Mrs. Lisa Sharp and Mr. George Byrnes

County of Morris Attendance: Miss Shelby Meyers, REHS

BOH Counsel: Joseph Sordillo, Esq.

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BOH WAIVER – 63 Lake Trail East, Block 43, Lot 15

Mr. Sordillo, Board of Health Attorney, conducted the swearing in of Mr. Steve Parker of Parker Engineering. Mr. Parker explained there are four waivers being requested.

- 1. Disposal Field distance to property line: 25 ft required, 10 feet proposed.**
- 2. Disposal Field distance to dwelling: 25 ft. required, 15 feet proposed.**
- 3. Disposal Field distance to water course (Mt. Kemble Lake): 50 ft. required, 15 feet proposed.**
- 4. Disposal Field minimum size requirements: 621.4 s.f. required; 234 s.f. proposed.**

Mr. Parker mentioned the property is on a steep, small lot. The new system will be an advanced treatment unit with pressure dosing. Mr. Parker informed the Board that Lot 16 is owned by the Lakeshore Community and they have public water so this property has no well. Dr. Cervone asked if this is a failing system. Mr. Parker responded with yes. A recommendation was made to have a barrier placed around the excavation. Mr. Parker responded yes.

Mrs. DiTosto asked if this system could be turned and how far would the system be from the shoreline. Mr. Parker explained; 5 feet from the property line, 10 feet from the house, and 5 feet from the shore line. Dr. Cervone asked what is located there now. Mr. Parker commented there is a small field with a small system and explained we would like to make the field bigger. Mr. DeNave asked if the new owner is aware of the constraints. Mr. Parker said yes. Mrs. Somers commented that placing the system as far away from the Lake as possible is most important.

Mr. Byrnes asked if the system could come out by the left side of the wall. Mr. Parker commented this is more complicated. A discussion ensued on the possibility of flipping the system.

After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Sordillo explained that the Board of Health can grant the waivers requested with the minimum size requirement for the disposal field and the Engineer will try to maximize the distance to the shore line and the distance to the property line and dwelling as follows, but if the Engineer cannot, the waivers originally requested remain granted:

- Minimum of 5 feet to the property line
- Minimum of 10 feet to the dwelling
- Minimum of 20 feet from the shoreline, and
- Minimum of 234 s.f. for disposal field
- Barrier around the excavation

Dr. Cervone asked for a motion to grant the waivers requested. Upon a motion made by Dr. Lacz, seconded by Mrs. DiTosto, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed, the waivers were granted as explained above.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2023:

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any questions with regard to the February 9, 2023, minutes. Upon a motion made by Dr. Lacz, seconded by Mrs. Somers, Mr. DeNave abstained, and with votes of all ayes, none opposed, the minutes for the February 9, 2023, meeting were accepted.

MONTHLY REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2023:

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any questions regarding the monthly Health Department report for February 2023.

Mr. Byrnes reported that the Health Department continues to work on septic installations and septic repairs.

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any further comments. With no further comments, Dr. Cervone asked for a motion to accept the February 2023 monthly Health Department report. Upon a motion made by Mrs. DiTosto, seconded by Dr. Lacz, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed, the monthly Health Department report for February 2023 was accepted.

COUNTY OF MORRIS MONTHLY REPORT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING – FEBRUARY 2023:

Dr. Cervone asked if there were any comments or questions with regard to the Morris County Monthly Report.

Miss Myers reported that she has attempted a retail food inspection at the Amenibeau located at 990 Mt. Kemble Avenue on two separate occasions but each time they have been closed. They commence work early but we are not sure if they are still operating. Miss Myers reported that the Public Health Nurse will continue blood pressures in the Municipal Building once the seniors stop meeting during the summer months. Their last meeting will be the May meeting. The school audits were completed and both schools received 100 percent.

With no further comments, a motion was made to accept the February 2023 Monthly County of Morris report by Mrs. DiTosto, seconded by Mrs. Somers, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed the monthly Morris County report for January 2023 was accepted.

OTHER MATTERS AND HEARING PERSONS PRESENT:

Health Department Fees Analysis - Mrs. Sharp provided all Board of Health members with a spreadsheet that showed Health Department fees for Harding Township, Montville Township, Chatham Township, and Morris Township. After review of all fees, the consensus of the Board of Health was to leave the Health Department fees as they are.

There were no hearing persons present.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was duly made by Mrs. DiTosto, seconded by Dr. Lacz, and with a vote of all ayes, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa A. Sharp
Secretary, Board of Health