

BOARD OF HEALTH
SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

On Thursday, September 14, 2023, at 7:03 P.M., the regularly scheduled meeting of the Holland Township Board of Health was held in the meeting room at the Municipal Building, 61 Church Road.

Before the meeting was opened, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Audrey Balogh, and the following statement was read at the commencement of the meeting.

Adequate notice of this regular meeting was given pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, by the Township Clerk on December 8, 2022, by:

1. Posting such notice on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building and on the Holland Township website.
2. Mailing the same to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the Express Times.

Members present at the meeting: Pearl Hammerstone, Audrey Balogh, Tony Szumski, Christopher Balogh, Karen Young and Duane Young

Members Absent: Donna Lizanich and Vann Smith

Also in attendance: Jeffrey j. Careaga, PE

Christopher Balogh made a motion, seconded by Tony Szumski, to accept the minutes of August 10, 2023. Motion carried.

The following correspondence was given to members present.

1. Hunterdon County Department of Health
Memo to: Pearl Hammerstone, Secretary June 9, 2023
From: Dawn Faltings, REHS
Re: Septic System Waiver Request
Block: 19.01 Lot: 13 691 Riegelsville Road

Jeffrey Carega, PE was in attendance to request Septic System Waivers for an existing 4 bedroom dwelling with no expansion.

1. The proposed seepage pits are not the required minimum distance of 20 feet to the property line. The proposed seepage pits are 2 feet from the property line. The engineer shall inspect grading and certify that the final grading does not adversely impact offsite conditions.
2. The proposed seepage pits are not the required minimum distance of 150 feet to the existing well that is located on Lot 13.01. The well on Lot 13.01 is a shared well with Lot 13. The proposed seepage pits are shown 50 feet from the well. The engineer has noted on sheet 1 of the plans, an ultraviolet light shall be installed on the well. The well has 152 feet of casing. The Board has approved similar waivers with the condition that an ultraviolet treatment device be installed on the well for added protection and a passing water test for coliform after the UV light has been installed.
3. The proposed seepage pits are not the required minimum distance of 150 feet to the neighboring well located on Lot 15. The proposed seepage pits are shown 62 feet from Lot 15's well. This department would recommend that a UV filter shall be offered to the owner regarding the well

distance and the date of the board of health meeting. The engineer shall provide the county a copy of the letter signed by the owner of Lot 15 either accepting or declining the UV filter on their well.

4. The proposed seepage pits are not the required minimum distance of 50 feet to the existing dwelling. The proposed seepage pits are shown 5.5 feet to the existing dwelling.
5. The proposed seepage pits are not the required minimum distance of 150 feet to the neighboring wells located on Block 18 Lot 2, Block 18 Lot 3 and Block 18 Lot 4. The proposed seepage pits are approximately 146 feet from Block 18 Lot 2's well, approximately 101 feet from Block 18 Lot 3's well and approximately 133 feet from Block 18 Lot 4's well. It shall be up to the board to determine if UV treatment shall be offered to these 3 lots.
6. The soil log is not extended eight feet below the bottom of the seepage pits. The soil log Depth only went to 10 feet due to machine limitations.
7. Soil class rating tests were used in lieu of the required percolation tests by code.

Christopher Balogh made a motion to offer a Conditional Waiver for 691 Riegelsville Road, Block 19.01 Lot 13, with the following:

The engineer will send certified letters to residents at Block 18 Lot 2, Block 18 Lot 3, and Block 18 Lot 4, giving them 14 days to respond if they want UV lights offered to them as added protection for their wells.

8. The use of the Advanced Treatment Unit will require a maintenance contract for the life of the system and auto dialer notification.

9. There will be a deed restriction stating that the disposal system cannot be expanded in the future and the house can only be kept as a four bedroom dwelling.

Karen Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Duane Young, aye; Pearl Hammerstone, aye; Audrey Balogh, Aye; Tony Szumski, aye; Christopher Balogh, aye; and Karen Young, aye.

2. Hunterdon County Department of Health
Memo to: Pearl Hammerstone, Secretary June 9, 2023
From: Dawn Faltings, REHS
Re: Septic System Waiver Request
Block: 19.01 Lot: 13.01 693 Riegelsville Road

Jeffrey Carerga, PE was in attendance to request Septic System Waivers for an existing 3 bedroom dwelling with no expansion.

1. There is a regional zone of saturation less than 24 inches in soil log #1. The regional zone of saturation is 20 inches in soil log #1. The design will still have a minimum of 18 inches of separation from the regional water table to the proposed level of infiltration.
2. The proposed disposal bed will not meet the minimum square footage requirement for a 3-bedroom home. The proposed square footage required is 478 square feet and the proposed footage shown is 339.3 feet due to site constraints.

3. The proposed disposal bed will not meet the minimum 10-foot distance to the property line. The proposed disposal bed is shown 9 feet from the property line. The engineer proposes a rock wall alongside the proposed disposal bed that runs alongside the property line. The engineer also proposed a 45 mil rubber liner to be installed within 10 feet of the rock walls and 15 feet of the dwelling. The engineer shall inspect the rock wall and provide certification to this department.
4. The proposed Aquasafe ATU will not meet the required 10 feet the existing dwelling. The proposed ATU tank is shown 7.5 to the existing dwelling.
5. The proposed disposal field will not meet the required 25-foot distance to the existing dwelling. The proposed disposal field is shown 15 feet to the existing dwelling.
6. The proposed disposal bed will only be 50 feet from the existing well which does not meet the minimum 100-foot setback requirement by code. As per 7:9A-4.3 the distance can be reduced to 50 feet provided there is 50 feet of casing in the well. A well record on file with this department states this well has 152 feet of casing.

This department recommends that any approval and resolution by the Board shall state that this is an alteration and does not comply fully with state and local requirements and the granting of waivers and approvals, holds the Holland Township Board of Health and Hunterdon County Health Department harmless and assumes no responsibility for the functioning of the system. We also recommend that the engineer inspect the entire system and provide a certificate of compliance to this department. The Board may also want to consider placing a statement in the deed that the disposal system cannot be expanded in the future and the house can only be kept as a three bedroom dwelling.

The use of the Advanced Treatment Unit will require a maintenance contract for the life of the system, deed notice, and auto dialer notification.

Since this a malfunctioning system the Board can consider the waivers and special approvals since the system, as per 7:9 3.3(e)2 ii, is in more conformance with the code.

The design engineer shall arrange to be at the next available Board meeting to present the design and waiver requests to the Board.

Christopher Balogh made a motion to grant a Waiver for 693 Riegelsville Road, Block 19.01 Lot 13.01 with the following:

A UV light is required for extra protection on of the well on Lot 13.01, with a passing water test for coliform sent to the County Health Department once the light has been installed.

7. The use of the Advanced Treatment Unit will require a maintenance contract for the life of the system.

8. There will be a deed restriction that the disposal system cannot be expanded in the future and the house can only be kept as a three bedroom dwelling.

Tony Szumski seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Duane Young, aye; Pearl Hammerstone, aye; Audrey Balogh, Aye; Tony Szumski, aye; Christopher Balogh, aye; and Karen Young, aye.

3. Hunterdon County Department of Health
Gains \$3 Million in Grant Funds to Support Health Readiness

September is Suicide Prevention Month

4. Animal Control Solutions

Holland Township Monthly Report: August 2023

Print Date –Saturday, September 9, 2023

5. Hunterdon County Department of Health

Animal Bite Report, August 18, 2023

An out of town resident was talking to a Holland township resident when the owner's dog ran out through open door and bit him on the right elbow.

Confinement required for ten days.

Hunterdon County Department of Health

Animal Bite Report, August 29, 2023

A Township child was visiting an aunt and uncle in Holland Township when the dog started chasing the child. He had a single bite on outer and inner upper thigh. It was a single bite with shallow wounds.

Confinement required for ten days.

Hunterdon County Department of Health

Animal Bite Report, August 29, 2023

A Township resident was bitten on the left hand by his own dog. Two family Dogs were eating and got in fight, resident tried to intervene.

Dog going back to rescue : VCA Old Town Animal Hospital, Alexandria, VA

The above correspondence was discussed and action taken as necessary.

Donna Lizanich submitted an article for the Township Newsletter on Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention

Christopher Balogh made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tony Szumski.

The meeting adjourned at 8.05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Pearl M. Hammerstone

Pearl M. Hammerstone, Secretary