

**GREEN TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH – REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 14, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER

The April 14, 2014, meeting of the Green Township Board of Health was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Mrs. Peralta read the statement of adequate notice.

ROLL CALL: Present: Jim Chirip, Peg Phillips, Steve Kurzeja, Peg Phillips, and Jason Reinbold

Absent: Daniel Conkling

Mr. Kurzeja motioned to excuse Mr. Conkling

Seconded: Mr. Reinbold

Discussion: None

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Chirip	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Conkling				X
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mr. Reinbold	X			

Also Present: Mrs. Linda Peralta, Clerk/Administrator; Mr. Rich Stein, Township Attorney; Mr. John Miller, Township Engineer; Mr. Emrick Seabold, Sussex County Department of Environmental & Public Health Services; and Mr. Jeff Careaga, Careaga Engineering Inc.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 10, 2014

Motion: Mr. Kurzeja

Seconded: Mr. Reinbold

Discussion: None

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Chirip	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Conkling				X
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mr. Reinbold	X			

**NEW BUSINESS: Application – Septic Design Variance – Alles, 33 Shore Road, Block 45, Lot 18
Completeness and Technical Review**

Mr. Miller explained the Board of Health application is for consideration of waivers of the reserve area and to reduce the distance of the well to the septic system. Mr. Miller deemed the application complete and to begin the hearing.

Motion: Mrs. Phillips

Seconded: Mr. Kurzeja

Discussion: None

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Chirip	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Conkling				X
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mr. Reinbold	X			

Mr. Stein swore in Mr. Jeff Careaga of Careaga Engineering, Inc., engineer for the project.

Mr. Careaga reviewed the application for new construction of a single family, three bedroom dwelling on lakefront property on Lake Tranquility. The applicants are seeking variances for the lack of a reserve area for a septic system

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and the distance from a well to the septic system. Mr. Careaga reviewed Mr. Miller's letter of April 7, 2014, in detail. Items #2, 3, 6, 7, 8 and 9 under Comments will be provided.

Mr. Miller asked for some justification on why the Board of Health should grant these variances without meeting the requirements. Mr. Careaga stated that having extra casing on property should be more than sufficient to provide for any kind of potential for contamination. A 100 foot separation between septic and well is a tremendous buffer to prevent any surface water from getting down in the well.

Mr. Stein opened the meeting for questions from the Board of Health.

Mr. Kurzeja asked if there are any other alternative systems that could be installed. Mr. Careaga explained there are other alternative systems that are approved by the DEP that could be installed on the property.

Mr. Reinbold asked what is the distance between the septic system and Lake Tranquility and what is the requirement. Mr. Careaga stated the distance is 110 feet.

Mr. Stein swore in the applicants, Jayne and Charles Alles.

Mr. Chirip asked the applicants if they were purchasing this property and what is it intended for. The applicants responded they are purchasing the property intended for their retirement home.

Mr. Careaga stated the intentions are to shrink the bed size down to what the DEP would require for these alternate treatments. This would increase the distance to all wells of concern.

Mr. Chirip explained the Board's concerns are for the healthy situation for the applicants. Mr. Chirip also commented to be conscious not to disturb the natural plant growth in the repairing area, per DEP regulations.

Mr. Miller had no further comments.

Mr. Chirip closed public comment session.

Mr. Stein questioned the distance between the well and the storm water drainage system. The applicant's engineer indicated asking the Board of Health for some relief. This may require another waiver. Mr. Careaga stated there is a 40 foot setback

There were no further comments/questions from the Board of Health members.

Mr. Careaga explained the alternate systems would be a HOOT system or Norweco.

Mr. Stein opened the meeting for public comments: Mr. Seabold asked for confirmation on the DEP regulations regarding the disturbance of natural growth.

Mr. Stein explained the motion is to grant waivers from the reserve area requirement, from the 100 feet separation between the well and the septic, and a waiver for the reduction to 40 feet the distance between the well and the storm water disposal system that is proposed for the property subject to the conditions that the applicant testified to obtaining the LLI providing the technical data on the plan agreed to in the Engineer's testimony. The reasons for the granting of the waivers that the applicant has agreed to install a Norweco singular type system in lieu of the traditional disposal bed which will reduce the size of the field. The applicant has met the State standard for casing and will provide proof that in fact the casing extends to bedrock. Mr. Miller gave his recommendation that 40 feet is reasonable for the separation between the storm water disposal system and the well particularly in light of the fact that the applicant has agreed to the more enhanced aerobic Norweco singular system.

Mr. Chirip added to make a reasonable request to ask the neighbor to expose the actual location of the well.

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Mr. Reinbol asked if there is a significant cost with this system. Mr. Careago stated there it is not a significant cost.

Mrs. Phillips motioned to move the waivers.

Seconded: Mr. Kurzeja

Discussion: No further discussion

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Chirip	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Conkling				X
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mr. Reinbold	X			

Mr. Stein stated a formal written resolution will be ready for adoption at the next Board of Health Meeting scheduled for April 28, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Phillips made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Seconded: Mr. Kurzeja

Discussion: None

	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Mr. Chirip	X			
Mrs. Phillips	X			
Mr. Conkling				X
Mr. Kurzeja	X			
Mr. Reinbold	X			

*ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THESE MINUTES


 Linda Peralta, RMC
 Clerk/Administrator

4/28/14
 Date Approved