

**READINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF HEALTH
Regular Meeting
March 20, 2024, 7:00 PM**

Chair Colburn called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and announced that all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

A. SALUTE TO THE FLAG:

B. ROLL CALL:

Jodi Bettermann	Tardy	Theresa Brown Biondo	Present	Chair Colburn	Present
John Kalinich	Present	Karen Mittleman	Present	David Olsen	Present
Helen Pollack	Tardy	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

1. BOH Meeting Minutes of 2/21/2024

A motion was made by Ms. Mittleman and seconded by Mr. Olsen for approval of the minutes as amended. On roll call, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	-	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	-	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

D. CORRESPONDENCE:

D.1 Public Health Update: Updated Outbreak Guidance for School and Childcare Settings

D.2 Public Health Recall: Food Recall

D.3 Public Health Advisory: ACTION REQUESTED to pull Neptune's Fix tianeptine products from store shelves

D.4 Public Health Recall: Brassica Pharma Pvt. Ltd. Issues Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Equate Lubricant Eye Ointment, Equate Styelubricant Eye Ointment, CVS Health Lubricant Eye Ointment, Lubricant PM Ointment Due to Potential Lack of Sterility

D.5 Public Health Recall: Croquet set recall for lead paint hazard

D.6 HCHD Notice of Violation: Block 14 Lot 49

D.7 State Pesticide Control Regulations

D.8 Verdantas 295 RT 22

D.9 Public Health Recall: Fossil Group Recalls Bracelet Sold with Skechers Watch and Jewelry Gift Sets

D.10 Public Health Info: COVID-19 and Respiratory Illness Activity Report for week ending 3/9/24

D.11 Public Health Info: Influenza Surveillance Report, Week ending March 9, 2024 (MMWR week 10)

There was a discussion regarding correspondence item #6. At the TC Meeting one of the executives from Verano was present for other current issues. It was suggested to notify the cannabis subcommittee. The secretary will follow up with the county regarding their septic

compliance. Members discussed the updated septic installed after the change from Walmart to Verano, the size and capacity of the system, the number of cars in the parking lot and the maintenance of the system.

E. OLD BUSINESS:

Proposed amendments of the bylaws were reviewed. Reading of bills and expenditures on a quarterly basis, annually, or as needed was discussed. A motion to accept was made by Karen Mittleman with the proposed changes as recently discussed. The motion was seconded by Teri Brown Biondo. All in favor.

Jodi Bettermann	-	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	-	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

F. NEW BUSINESS:

The Board of Health Application edits were reviewed. The addition of 9 copies of all documents required for the application will be reflected in the application. A motion to accept was made by Karen Mittleman with the proposed changes as recently discussed. The motion was seconded by Teri Brown Biondo. All in favor.

Jodi Bettermann	-	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	-	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

G. APPROVALS - ALTERATION/NO EXPANSION:

1. Block 39/Lot 54 – Bayer Risse Engineering – 19 County Line Road

Escrow fees paid 3/5/2024, Ck#16352, \$750.00.
 Time heard 7:13 p.m.

Bill Jupinka, a NJ licensed engineer with Bayer-Risse Engineering appeared before the board on behalf of the applicant who has a malfunctioning disposal system and saturated trenches. It is for a real estate transaction. The sale will go through after the new system is in place. All information regarding maintenance will be given to the new owners during the sale. The soil logs results showed decent basin flood results in the fractured shale below at 8.5 ft and faint mottling at 36 inches which we are treating as a water table. The proposed system is a mounted disposal field. It is downhill but because of elevations the system design will incorporate a pump. The homeowner is aware that the system will have an effluent filter which will require maintenance every 3 years and of the deed restriction requirements for the pump tank. There are no wells, water courses, no neighboring disposal systems within 50 ft within 100 ft of the system. There are no wetlands or wetland transition areas that are impacted by this design, also confirmed by Jeff Terrella.

The board asked Mr. Jupinka:

1. Jeffs letter usually says no freshwater wetlands with 100 ft but this letter states no freshwater wetlands within 50 ft.
2. Chambers brook is nearby, and this is a narrow property
3. Does the brook present itself on the property at all?
4. John said you have the pump tank and the septic inside of the 100 ft wall circle/asked about a lateral
5. There is an old tank within, but the new tank is out

Mr. Jupinka responded:

1. What he is generally saying is if there were wetlands on the property in this area that those wetlands would carry a 50 ft transition area.

2. It is a 400 feet deep property
3. No not at all
4. Yes, that is allowed.
5. Yes, there is one old tank within 100 ft. and another old one is right outside.

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Olsen for approval as follows:

Block / Lot: 39/54
Street Location: 19 County Line Road
Number Bedrooms: 3-bedroom dwelling
Map Title: Septic System Alteration Design, Block 39 Lot 54, Readington Twp, Hunterdon Co., NJ 19 County Line Road March 4, 2024
Number Sheets: 1-11
Map Date(s): 03/4/2024
Prepared By: Theodore H. Bayer, P. E
Survey: Property Survey prepared by George Reihman, LS dated 11/10/1986
Reports: Hunterdon County Health Department dated 3/7/2024; Wetlands Letter from Jeff Tareila Environmental Consulting dated 1/30/2024

Proposed System: Alteration with no expansion, direct discharge to ground water new 1000-gal two compartment septic tank with a 6-inch effluent filter that feeds a 1000-gallon pump tank which will pressure dose a mounded soil replacement field of 810 SF. Soil logs yielded a positive K rating. There were no state open waters within 100 feet and no wetlands within 50 ft gas noted by Jeff Tareila’s letter. The system will incorporate a pump which will require a deed restriction to be filed at the Hunterdon County Clerk’s office and a copy returned to the BOH secretary within 90 days after installation. The engineer has informed the property owner of the maintenance requirements of the pump and effluent filter. No variances are required for this application. The Board of Health secretary will email the deed restriction information to Mr. Jupinka so that he can provide the information to the applicant and new homeowners.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Mittleman. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Abstain	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	Abstain	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

2. Block 41/Lot 7 – French and Parello Associates – 5 Mitchell Road

Escrow fees paid 2/10/2024, Ck# 264, \$750.00.
 Time heard 7:25 p.m.

Mr. Andrew Derek Ranger, a NJ licensed engineer, appeared before the board on behalf of the applicant. The lot consists of 1.84 acres that sits on the Somerset and Hunterdon County line with the Eastern portion of the property situated in Somerville and the Western half situated in Readington. Seepage pit is currently failing. The existing well will remain and is located 26 ft off the southwest corner of the existing dwelling. The system is being upgraded due to the sale of the property. Both parties are aware of the application, deed restriction, and maintenance requirements. Soil log results determined the location of the new system. Proposing to pump crush and abandon the existing septic tank and seepage pit and proposing to install a Norico singular green advanced treatment unit with an integrative pump chamber in the front yard 17.1 ft from the front property line. The disposal field will be a mounded soil replacement system in the Southwest portion of the lot 22.9 ft from the rear lot line and 49 ft from the western lot line. A UV filter is proposed to be installed due to the proximity of the existing well. two waivers are being requested the disposal field

within 100 ft of the well – the disposal field will be 5.2 ft from the well. it is confirmed there is 50 ft of casing of the well. The second waiver for the septic tank proximity to the existing well is 76.3 ft away but there is 50 ft of casing so that is no longer needed.

The board asked Mr. Ranger:

1. Soil log 3 states the reason for mottling is stated as regional water on the county letter. Not critical since it was not one of the logs used.
2. Soil log 1 & 2 – the county application – the depth got longer witness is percentages of, 25% gravel, 25 % cobble and 10% stone do not match the soil log 25 25 10 should be 25 10 25. Is it the total composition required as long as it is permeable or a set standard of composition.
3. Singular ATU – capacity is 520 Gallons. How is capacity determined?
4. Is the ATU pressure rated,
5. no ASTM rating?
6. Are there two variances to grant? The septic tank distance and disposal field distance?

Mr. Ranger responded:

1. Seepage was encountered at 25 inches and refusal at 53 inches. Not sure why it states mottling.
2. Unsure but the K rating was very good.
3. The total system capacity is 1750 gallons, the treatment system capacity is 1300 gallons the pump system capacity is 530 gallons.
4. Don't think they are rated for any certain amount of pressure. It is designed to be underground, so it needs to have a certain load grating. All The fittings are schedule 80
5. No
6. Just one now, the disposal field distance, which meets state requirements.

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Mittleman for approval as follows:

Block / Lot: 41/7
Street Location: 5 Mitchell Road
Number Bedrooms: 4 bedrooms
Map Title: Individual Subsurface Sewage Disposal System for 5 Mitchell Road Block 41 Lot 7 Readington Township, Hunterdon County, New Jersey
Number Sheets: 1-5
Map Date(s): 12/18/2023, Revised 2/27/2024
Prepared By: Wayne Ingram, PE, PLS, of French & Parrello Associates
Survey: Partial Topographic Survey Prepared for 5 Mitchell Road Block 41 Lot 7 Situated in the Township of Readington, Hunterdon County, New Jersey dated 12/15/2023
Reports: Hunterdon County Health Department dated 2/28/2024; Wetlands Letter from Wayne Ingram, PE, PLS, of French & Parrello Associates dated 2/27/2024; Letter from D & L Pump Company dated 3/11/2024

Proposed System:

Alteration/no expansion for a real estate transfer. Norico singular ATU which includes a 520-gallon pump tank which will be mounded to a soil replacement disposal field of 808.5 SF. There were no wetlands within 150 feet as noted by both Jeff Tareila's letter and in the design. The system will incorporate a pump which will require a deed restriction to be filed at the Hunterdon County Clerk's office. The clerk's office and a copy be returned to the BOH secretary within 90 days after installation. The engineer has informed the property owner of the maintenance requirements of the pump and ATU system. The Board of Health secretary will email the deed restriction information to the engineer so that he can provide the deed restriction information to the applicant. There is a variance required for the disposal field distance of 75 ft. of the existing well. The well has 50 ft of

casing which adheres to state law. The well will require a UV light system and coliform test due to the proximity.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Olsen. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	Aye	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

3. Block 63/Lot 55 – Fine Engineering – 148 Foothill Road

Escrow fees paid 3/4/2024, Ck#1896, \$750.00.

Time heard 7:43 p.m.

Mr. Doug Fine, a NJ licensed professional engineer, appeared before the board on behalf of the applicant. This property is part of a real estate transaction where the closing has already occurred, and the applicants are the new owners. The original septic tank had a 30 ft 1 trench lateral serving the house. The house was vacant for 6 months and filled with effluent. Soil testing revealed sandy soils. Due to the layout of the property the system will require a pump tank. The clients are aware of the deed restriction and maintenance requirements. The new system will be 100 ft from the well. 1500 gall two compartment septic tank. The reason for the oversizing is the applicants may install an ejector pump in the basement in the future.

The board asked Mr. Fine:

1. Is this a mounded system?
2. Says MSR on sheet 2 should be SRB
3. The updated copy of sheet 2, note 1 has the incorrect date for the wetlands letter unless there is an updated letter.
4. Sheet 5 with the pump specification, the numbers say the pump is delivering 17.52 ft of head and delivering 57 GPM but says 75 GPM elsewhere.
5. The last page of your HCHD application says 74 + or – GPM
6. The front page of the HCHD application is signed 2023.
7. The drawing shows birch trees abutting the system, are they far enough away that they won't be a problem?

Mr. Fine responded:

1. This is not a mounded system.
2. That is a typo and should say SRB (soil replacement bottom line)
3. Says 1/20/204 but should be 12/19/2023
4. The discharge rate is actually 57 GPM, the pump will operate at 75.
5. Correct. That is where the pump will operate. The pump meets the minimum.
6. That should be 2024.
7. Any of the birch trees within 10 ft will be removed. Some of the grading on the downhill side might have to come down as well.

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Brown-Biondo for approval as follows:

Block / Lot: 63/55
Street Location: 148 Foothill Road
Number Bedrooms: 3 bedrooms
Map Title: Septic System Alteration Design, Block 63 Lot 55, in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey 148 Foothill Rd. Flemington, NJ 08822

Number Sheets: 1-11
Map Date(s): 2/28/2024, revised 3/6/2024
Prepared By: Douglas E. Fine, P. E.
Survey: Location & Partial Topographic Survey prepared by Patrick H. Fatton, PLS dated 2/4/2024
Reports: Hunterdon County Health Department dated 3/6/2024; Wetlands Letter from Jeff Tareila Environmental Consulting dated 12/19/2023

Proposed System:

Alteration/no expansion part of an already transferred real estate transaction. The system is a 1500-gallon septic tank with a poly lock PL 625 effluent filter feeds a 1300-gallon pump tank pressure dosing system for soil replacement bottom lined field of 805 SF. There were no wetlands or state open waterways within 100 feet as noted by both Jeff Tareila’s letter and in the design. The system will incorporate a pump which will require a deed restriction to be filed at the Hunterdon County Clerk’s office and a copy returned to the BOH secretary within 90 days after installation. The engineer has informed the property owner of the maintenance requirements of the pump and effluent filter. The Board of Health secretary will email the deed restriction information to the engineer so that he can provide the deed restriction information to the applicant.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Mittleman. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	Aye	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

4. Block 74/Lot 18 – Fine Engineering – 1066 River Road

Escrow fees paid 3/4/2024, Ck#1898, \$750.00.

Time heard 7:55 p.m.

Mr. Fine, a NJ licensed engineer, appeared before the board on behalf of the applicant who purchased the property through an estate sale. The property consists of a duplex and garage with apartment on an old farmland. The 3 existing housing units are as follows: unit as 1066 A – 3 bedrooms, 1066 B – 1 bedroom, and 1066 C – 1 bedroom unit above garage which is a separate structure from the duplex. There is an existing cesspool serving this property. Soil logs 1 & 2 were used for the design. The size of the system is due do a possible ½ bath proposed for a farm bathroom in the barn in the future. We are proposing a grounded gravity dosing system with a pump to transfer the septic tank effluent to the disposal field at a 400 ft distance. It is a 1500-gal two compartment septic tank and 1500-gal pump tank with duplex pump controls to reserve the required capacity and a 4-inch pipe feeding the d-box to slow down the flow.

The board asked Mr. Fine:

1. The dwellings were questioned because Jeff Tareila’s letter references a 1 family dwelling and outbuildings.
2. What is the building on the right where the line is coming out of?
3. There is a barn to the left as well.
4. It looks like there is a second well near the left building.
5. Can that be used for a small bathroom?
6. So, this is being proposed for a 5 bedroom?
7. Why a 4-inch pipe 400 ft long? Usually, you pump through a 3-inch pipe. Page 10 states the diameter of the delivery pipe is 2 inches.
8. There is a wet area on the property but not associated to wetlands, is that a storm water collection?

Mr. Fine responded:

1. It is two separate addresses, one upstairs and one downstairs. There is an apartment over the garage.
2. That is the barn where there is a proposed ½ bath.

3. That is another barn, it was a farm property. The idea was to cover the half bath in this design now. They are currently renovating the property.
4. That is an agricultural well.
5. No, I think it would need to be reclassified. We know it is there but are not sure if it is even operational. The property is very run down.
6. It is broken down on sheet 6. 3 bedroom = 500 gals/per day the 1-bedroom units are a minimum of 350 gal/per day each, so the total design flow is for 1200 gal/per day.
7. I sent Dawn a revised form 5.
8. It is very poor grading there. It will be regraded and smoothed out. It is too wet to walk but not delineated as wetlands.

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Olsen for approval as follows:

Block / Lot: 74/18
Street Location: 1066 River Ave
Number Bedrooms: 5
Map Title: Septic System Alteration Design, Block 74 Lot 18, in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey 1066 River Ave. Flemington, NJ 08822
Number Sheets: 1-11
Map Date(s): 3/1/2024
Prepared By: Douglas E. Fine, P. E.
Survey: Location & Partial Topographic Survey prepared by Patrick H. Fatton, PLS dated 1/9/2024
Reports: Hunterdon County Health Department dated 3/6/2024; Wetlands Letter from Jeff Tariela Environmental Consulting dated 11/9/2023; Soil Logs completed 12/7/2023.

Proposed System:

Brought about by a real estate transfer. Alteration/no expansion 1500-gallon two compartment septic tank with a 6 in poly lock PL 625 filter which will feed a 1500-gallon pump tank which will be gravity dosed to a mounded soil replacement field of 932 SF. There were no wetlands within 100 feet as noted by Jeff Tareila’s letter. The system will incorporate a duplex pump which will require a deed restriction to be filed at the Hunterdon County clerk’s office and a copy returned to the BOH secretary within 90 days after installation. The engineer has informed the property owner of the maintenance requirements of the pump and effluent filter. The Board of Health secretary will email the deed restriction information to Mr. Fine so that he can provide the deed restriction information to the applicant. The engineer will provide The Board of Health office a corrected copy of Page 9 and 10 of the Septic System Design plans. An updated copy of the HCHD letter will be obtain stating soil log was done in December 2023.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Mittleman. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	Aye	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

5. Block 63/Lot 53.02 – Fine Engineering – 176 Stanton Road

Escrow fees paid 3/4/2024, Ck#1897, \$750.00.
 Time heard 8:14 p.m.

Mr. Fine, a NJ licensed professional engineer, appeared before the board on behalf of the applicant. The home is currently 3 siblings handling their father’s estate and may plan to sell. And fixing up the house. Existing 3-bedroom home. The plan is for a mounded system with a 48-inch zone of treatment above the highest mottling at 42 inches. It is a pretty large property that backs up to parkland and is a heavily wooded

area. There was minimal space for trucks to enter the property. Entrance was gained near the existing trenches from the 70's or 80's. There was some water in the trenches when the old system was inspected which was found to be ground water and not effluent. The house has been vacant for 4 or 5 years. Mr. Fine is proposing a 1300-gallon two compartment septic tank to replace the existing 1000-gallon tank which will be pumped and crushed. A new line from the house to the tank and following the tank will be a 100-gallon pump tank which will be pressure dosing the mounded disposal field. I am here to testify that my clients are well aware of the deed restriction requirements and the maintenance of the pump and the effluent filter. All information will be passed to the future owners. They are just about ready for spring market.

The board asked Mr. Fine:

1. On Page 2 of your plans, it states jeffs letter January 20th and should state the 25th

Mr. Fine responded:

1. Yes

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Mittleman for approval as follows:

Block / Lot: 63/53.02
Street Location: 176 Stanton Road
Number Bedrooms: 3-bedroom home
Map Title: Septic System Alteration Design, Block 63 Lot 53.02, in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey 176 Stanton Rd. Flemington, NJ 08822
Number Sheets: 1-11
Map Date(s): 03/1/2024
Prepared By: Douglas E. Fine, P. E.
Survey: Location & Partial Topographic Survey prepared by Patrick H. Fatton, PLS dated 2/6/2024
Reports: Hunterdon County Health Department dated 3/6/2024; Wetlands Letter from Jeff Tareila Environmental Consulting dated 1/25/2024

Proposed System:

The home is an estate that will be part of a real estate transfer. It is an alteration/ no expansion using a new 1300-gallon septic tank with a poly lock PL 625 6in effluent filter. It will be fed to a 1000-gallon pump tank which will pressure dose to a mounded soil replacement field of 805 SF. The letter from Jeff Tareila's states there are no freshwater wetlands or state open waters with 100 ft of the proposed system. The system will incorporate a pump which will require a deed restriction to be filed at the Hunterdon County Clerk's office and a copy returned to the BOH secretary within 90 days after installation. The engineer has informed the property owners of the maintenance requirements of the pump and effluent filter. The Board of Health secretary will email the deed restriction information to Mr. Fine so that he can provide the deed restriction information and the reporting requirements to the homeowners. The engineer will provide The Board of Health office with a corrected copy of Page 2 of 11 of the Septic System.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Brown-Biondo. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	Aye	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

6. Block 38/Lot 38.34 – Fine Engineering – 6 Tunis Cox Road

Escrow fees paid 3/4/2024, Ck#1895, \$750.00.

Time heard 8:22 p.m.

Mr. Fine, a NJ licensed professional engineer, appeared before the board on behalf of the applicant and owner of 6 Tunis Cox Road. This is a malfunctioning septic system that is currently backing up. The owner has been using water minimally and pumping regularly and traveling until approval of a new system. No real estate transaction. The septic system was designed for the existing 4-bedroom dwelling. It is a pressure dosing system. It is not mounded. This is a bit of a constrained property. It shows on the survey as a drainage system, one coming down the property and one coming across. There is a surface water inlet by the curve. There does not appear to be any other underground piping on the property and until that was built, they experienced flooding every time it rained. The homeowners manage the berm that pushes the water to the property line and pushes the water to the inlet. The concern is when we construct to keep the berm intact. It is a key feature of this lot, so we had to go beyond the easement. There is a lightly wooded area back there, but the permeability was very good. The current design found was an existing field with trenches going across and extra slot trenches as if it was continuously built upon.

The board asked Mr. Fine:

1. Typo on survey for the address Tunus instead of Tunis
2. Jeffs letter date need to be corrected it says
3. It says MSR page 2 on the design map

Mr. Fine responded:

1. Revised sheets will be provided
2. Yes, needs to be corrected
3. It is not an MRS it is and SRE

Chair Colburn asked if there were any additional questions or discussion; there was no response.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Brown-Biondo for approval as follows:

Block / Lot: 38/38.34
Street Location: 6 Tunis Cox Road
Number Bedrooms: 4 bedrooms
Map Title: Septic System Alteration Design, Block 38 Lot 38.34, in the Township of Readington, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey for 6 Tunis Cox Rd. Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889
Number Sheets: 1-11
Map Date(s): 2/28/2024; Revised 3/5/2024
Prepared By: Douglas E. Fine, P. E.
Survey: Location & Partial Topographic Survey prepared by Patrick H. Fatton, PLS dated 2/1/2024
Reports: Hunterdon County Health Department dated 3/6/2024; Wetlands Letter from Jeff Tareila Environmental Consulting dated 1/30/2024; Soil Logs completed 1/25/2024.

Proposed System:

This is an alteration with no expansion to include a septic tank of 1300 gallons, two compartments with a poly lock PL625 6-inch effluent filter and a 1300-gallon pump tank which will be pressured does to a fill enclosed soil replacement field of 1036.5 SF. The January 30th letter from Jeff Tareila states there are no freshwater wetlands or transition areas or state wetlands within 100 ft of the proposed system. Since there is a pump tank to be included, the engineer will notify the homeowner that a deed restriction is to be filed at the Hunterdon County Clerk's office and a copy returned to the BOH secretary within 90 days. The engineer has informed the property owner of the maintenance requirements of the pump and effluent filter. The Board of Health secretary will email the deed restriction information to Mr. Fine so that he can provide the deed restriction information to the applicant. The

engineer will provide an updated sheet 2 to correct MSR to SRE and updated sheet 6 of 11 will be provided to state soil log 1.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Mittleman. On roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Jodi Bettermann	Aye	Theresa Brown Biondo	Aye	Chair Colburn	Aye
John Kalinich	Aye	Karen Mittleman	Aye	David Olsen	Aye
Helen Pollack	Aye	Wendy Sheay	Absent		

H. APPROVALS - EXPANSION/NEW CONSTRUCTION:

None.

I. COMMUNICATION PLAN:

Jodi said they have information on lead paint from the state department of health. Terri has found seasonal infographics to use. There is information for 988, which is a suicide hotline for teens who need it. April is Earth Day, but health infographics could not be found. Teri said we are starting to enter bug season so we could put out information on pesticides. The last communication was the information about the salt on the roads. It was requested to CC our Township Council liaison on the emails for posting. A brief discussion occurred on the information for waste haulers and removing the ordinance. New applications from the county were received today and our forms will be updated. Carla Hobbs will attend in April. Karen Demarco has come once a year in the past and the board would like to have that presentation again.

J. COMMENTS:

The US Senate adopted legislation that will increase funding in rural areas for installing and repairing wastewater systems sponsored by Cory Booker. The program would subsidize septic projects for low-income applicants. A brief discussion occurred on an article discussing eliminating septic inspections for house transfers in other states and pumping regulations. Teri will receive a copy to define rural and low income and review the guidelines. The Summer Spectacular is coming up and we should ask the county to do blood pressure screenings at the Board of Health table. A discussion occurred about eliminating crossovers. Jodi attended a Green Team meeting for Sustainable New Jersey. She is looking at all the health-related actions for the 2025 recertification and should be added to the agenda. Jodi reached out to the NJLBOH about updating the HCHD contract to see if they had any resources or assistance to provide. Jodi spoke to their president, Paul who has been doing this for 47 years. He thanks us for being a part of the NJLBOH and they are revamping their certification program. The whole board will go through the training and then the Chair will write a letter. The chair reminded the board to complete the financial disclosures by April 30, 2024. A brief discussion occurred about Governor Murphy signing a bill for low-income housing and the limited sewer capacity we have. The chair followed up on an application a couple of years ago for a hook up to the sewer system due to a failed septic and reported that the state is involved. Teri received a letter after her septic installation and asked where it is supposed to go? There is no direction or plan of action provided to citizens directing what to do after installation and the next steps of the process. She will provide an update at the next meeting.

K. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Ms. Brown-Biondo to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m., seconded by Ms. Mittleman, with a vote of Ayes all, Nays none recorded.

Respectfully submitted:

Danielle Monaghan, Board of Health Secretary