

**Administrator's Report**  
**Board of Health Meeting of June 27, 2013**  
*Report covers from May 30 to June 25, 2013*  
*Items requiring Board vote are noted with an asterisk (\*)*

**A. Inspection Report Reviews**

(1) 22 Story St., Young, Map 35, Lot 26 \*

I reviewed the Title 5 inspection report for this property and from the information reviewed, am in agreement with the determination of the system inspector, Daniel Johnson that this system passed the inspection, performed 6-10-13. The inspection report does recommend pumping of the system for maintenance purposes.

*Recommendation: I recommend that a letter be sent to the property owner stating that the Board is in agreement with the determination of the inspector that this system **passed the Title 5 inspection performed June 10, 2013 by Daniel Johnson**. I also recommend this letter support the recommendation of the inspector that the septic tank be pumped for maintenance purposes.*

(2) 86 Pond St., Caponigro, Map 5, Lot 4A \*

I reviewed the Title 5 inspection report for this property and from the information reviewed, am in agreement with the determination of the inspector, John Duncan, that this system passed the inspection. The form submitted, however, is outdated. A new Title 5 Inspection report must be filed on the current form.

*Recommendation: I recommend that a letter be sent to the homeowner stating that the Board is in agreement with the determination of the inspector, John Duncan, that the system **passed the June 21, 2013 inspection, upon receipt of a report submitted on the appropriate form.***

(3) 131 Apple St., Svahn, Map 10, Lot 9 \*

I reviewed the Title 5 inspection report for this property. From the information reviewed, I am in agreement with the determination of the inspector, Jared Clark, that the system passed the June 6, 2013 inspection. The inspection report does note the existence of a garbage grinder, for which the septic system is not designed.

*Recommendation: I recommend that a letter be sent to the homeowner stating that the Board is in agreement with the determination of the inspector, Jared Clark, that the system **passed the June 6, 2013 inspection, however, the inspection notes the existence of a garbage grinder, for which the system is not designed. The garbage grinder is in violation of Title 5 and must be removed to prolong the life of the system.***

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**B. Soil Evaluations / Waiver Explorations**

(1) 36R Story St., Kempski, Map 35 Lot 30B

I witnessed soil testing at this property for new construction.

*Recommendation: None. Informational only.*

(2) 125R rocky Hill Rd., Cataldo, Map 6, Lot 36

I witnessed soil testing at this property for expansion of the existing house capacity/new construction.

*Recommendation: None. Informational only.*

**C. Septic System Design Plan Reviews**

None

**D. Septic System Installations**

(1) 75 Choate St., Keystone Dev.

I performed a final bed and tank inspection on this system

*Recommendation: None. Informational only.*

(2) 1 Turtleback Rd., Souza, Map 9, Lot 11I

I performed a d- box inspection for this system.

*Recommendation: None. Informational only.*

(3) Shea's Ct.,

I performed a final stabilization inspection on this property.

*Recommendation: None. Informational only.*

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**E. Building Permit Applications & Occupancy Permits**

(1) 37 Grove St., Harding, Map 34, Lot 61 \*

I reviewed the building permit application for this property to construct a 50' X 49' barn. The barn location doesn't interfere with the existing septic system or add design flow. It does contain a ½ bathroom, but there is no information pertaining to the connection to the existing septic system. I spoke to the contractor for the project & discussed what we need and possible options. A rep expects to be at our meeting with the possibility of removing the plumbing until the issue can be addressed.

*Recommendation: To be made at the meeting after discussion with the project representative.*

(2) 67 Wood Dr., Staid, map 4, Lot 108B \*

I reviewed the building permit application for this property to "replace and enlarge existing front porch". The proposed enlargement of the porch doesn't add design flow. It will be 5-10' off the current reserve area.

*Recommendation: I recommend endorsement of this application, with the condition that the soil absorption area be protected from construction vehicles and materials.*

**F. Well Water Supply Certificates**

*None*

**G. Meetings Attended (for information only)**

Care Delivery/Ed Meeting

I attended the monthly Care Delivery/Education meeting. We continue to discuss mosquito control, discussed our new Cape Ann Public Health Nurses and planning for the upcoming flu season.

**H. Complaints**

(1) 38 LakeShore Drive, Cameron, Map 4, Lot 52

We received a complaint from a relative of a neighbor to this property. She is concerned about the condition of the property/yard and septic system. I have not yet inspected, but expect to have time next week to do so.

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**I. Hazards Abated Via Enforcement Orders**

None

**J. Other Issues**

(1) Conomo Point Outstanding Inspections \*

We're catching up on CP properties that aren't in compliance with the required septic procedures.

- I) The following properties were issued noncompliance letters on 10-25-12, but have not submitted required Title 5 inspections to date. *My recommendation is that another notice be sent to them with 30 days to comply before they are referred to Town Counsel for further action. .*
  - a) 9 Beach Circle; Thayer, Caroline, Douglas, Marjorie, & Eliza Adams; Map 19, Lot 96
  - b) 169 Conomo Point Rd; Coakley, Ralph & Elizabeth, Colleen, Christopher; Map 24 Lot10
  - c) 31 Middle Rd; Collins, Paul & Beth, Marie, Michael; Map 24, Lot 03

Additionally, 24 Cogswell Rd, owned by the Town, has no record of an inspection. I want to speak to the Administrator on this before follow up action, as I don't know the town's plans for this property.

- II) 187 Conomo Point Rd, Mark Webber, Map 19, Lot 85 was inspected in October & deemed to need further evaluation because of a cesspool within 50' of bordering vegetated wetland or saltmarsh. I contacted the inspector shortly after for a more precise distance, but did not hear back and the file was not followed up. I estimate the separation distance from the outlet discharge to be within 200' of Clammer's Beach.  
*Because of the site conditions (bedrock throughout the area) and distance to Clammer's Beach, I recommend the Board determine this system to be in failure.*
- III) 9 Town Farm Rd., Map 19, Lot 44  
This system was classified as not yet performing the required Title 5 inspection, but a review of the file revealed that it failed a 7/28/98

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inspection and therefore does not need to be re-inspected. *I recommend this order be sent when other failed systems are given the time frame in which to comply.*

IV) 136 Conomo Point Rd., Cushing, Map 24, Lot 38

In the Title 5 inspection report performed at the above address, the inspector notes a kitchen sink system that was inaccessible for inspection. The Board sent a 10-11-12 letter stating that the mandated Title 5 inspection for this property was deemed incomplete, and therefore in noncompliance. As of this date we have received no confirmation that a necessary step to come into compliance (either an inspection of the sink system or connection of the sink into the main system) has been performed.

*I recommend that a notice be sent to the leasee of this property mandating compliance within 30 days or the matter will be turned over to Town Counsel for further action.*

V) 29 Middle Rd, Moginot, Map 24, Lot 4

In the Title 5 inspection report performed at the above address, the inspector did not inspect, nor note the existence of a separate kitchen sink, which is referenced in our property file. Title 5 mandates all systems serving a property be inspected. The Board sent a 9-27-12 letter stating that the mandated Title 5 inspection for this property was deemed incomplete for t is reason, and therefore in noncompliance. As of this date we have received no confirmation that a necessary step to come into compliance (either an inspection of the sink system or connection of the sink into the main system) has been performed.

*I recommend that a notice be sent to the leasee of this property mandating compliance within 30 days or the matter will be turned over to Town Counsel for further action.*

VI) 41 Robbins island Rd., King, Map 19, Lot 76

This property was inspected on 8-8-12, with a conditional pass classification. It needs replacement of the existing medal septic tank and a well water lab analysis due to being within 100' from the existing septic system. Neither action has been performed.

*I recommend that a notice be sent to the leasee of this property mandating compliance within 30 days or the matter will be turned over to Town Counsel for further action.*

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**K. Tracking of Housing, Food Service, and Other Miscellaneous Board Issues**

(1) Tobacco Compliance Check – Chebacco Liquor Mart, 201 Western Ave. \*

The North Shore/Cape Ann Tobacco Policy Program conducted a tobacco compliance check in Essex on June 11. Chebacco Liquor Mart sold cigarette to a minor under the age of 18.

*Recommendation: I recommend a violation notice be sent to Chebacco Liquor Mart*

(2) Tobacco Compliance Check – Richdale, 156 Main St. \*

The North Shore/Cape Ann Tobacco Policy Program conducted a tobacco compliance check in Essex on June 11. Richdale sold cigarette to a minor under the age of 18.

*Recommendation: I recommend a violation notice be sent, including notification of the \$100 fine.*

(3) Zostervax/Shingles Clinic

I am ordering 30 doses of Zostervax vaccine. This is all we can buy with what's allowed to be spent from our revolving account. It was too late to get notification into the COA newsletter, but I will put it in the next issue. To be fair to all, I would like to not start our recipient list until after the newsletter goes out and is received; likely early August. The past Gloucester PH Nurse has given some useful information to help with this clinic and has offered to help, if needed.

*Recommendation: Informational only.*