Pelham Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Tuesday December 13, 2016 at 7 PM in the Rhodes Building.

Present: Bill Pula, Chris Rice, Richard Hall

In Attendance: Judy Metcalf

New Business:

Septic Repair at 105 North Valley Road. Owner is Stella Barlett. Designer is Alan Weiss. Local Upgrade Request- 3 foot offset to high groundwater. Local variances- raised system, use of fill, 3 foot separation as opposed to local 6 feet. Rich so moved to grant requests. Seconded. All in Favor Permit #717 was issued.

Members and staff met with Nate Burgess to discuss the Pelham Housing Study. Discussion ensued regarding areas of town which might be suitable and the benefit of Pelham amended septic regulations which allow more development with advanced technology and storm water controls. Types of affordable housing Board sees a need for are Senior Citizen/ Disabled affordable rentals or assisted living. HAP School Street Project in Ware for Seniors was listed as an example. Also first-time home buyer programs, such as condos or townhouses. HAP built two phases of a successful townhouse/ condo project in Belchertown that has helped young adults and families with owning a home.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Metcalf