

# MINUTES

September 9, 2020 ~ Special Health Board Meeting ~ Manning Appeal

Grant County Complex ~ Council Chambers

## Members Present

Dr. Ihrke  
Dr. Renfroe  
Dr. Leighty  
Dr. Bragg  
Chuck Poling  
Dr. Pearson  
Dr. Miller

## Members Absent

## Staff Present

Dr. Moore  
David Glickfield  
Tara Street  
Peggy Bradley  
Jeff Couch

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Dr. Ihrke, Dr. Renfroe and Chuck Poling expressed the need to recuse themselves from the vote.

Mike Manning stated his objection to the Health Department requirement of a flood dosed split-bed sub surface trench with a pump assisted perimeter drain at his property located at 2485 N. Breezewood Drive, Marion. Mr. Manning is requesting a variance and a permit be issued to install a gravity fed split bed system, with an up-slope interceptor drain.

Brandy Swanner spoke on behalf of Chucks Sewer and Drain explaining the reasoning and opinions leading the contractor to believe Mr. Mannings request will be sufficient for the site.

Alice Quinn spoke on behalf of the Indiana State Department of Health and the Grant County Health Department. Quinn provided information on Indiana Code, education on septic systems and their function and explained the reasoning used by the Grant County Health Department in setting the requirements for this site.

Dr. Moore stated after input from all experts involved he feels “best judgment based on science and reasoning” had been applied and the Health Department recommendation would meet “our number one priority that is protecting the public, our number two priority that is serving our clients and number three providing the contractor with a way to service the septic system”.

Everyone involved with this case agree this is an extremely difficult site.

After much discussion and a brief recess for Mr. Manning and Mr. Poling to consult Dr. Miller motioned to issue a variance and a permit to allow installation of a pump-assisted sub-surface Presby split bed system with upslope interceptor drain with the additional requirement the property owner sign a waiver acknowledging they have been advised of the risk of the installation of this system and will hold the Grant County Health Department harmless for the issuance of the permit.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Leighty.

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote. Dr. Ihrke, Chuck Poling and Dr. Renfroe abstained.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm

A recording of this meeting is available at

<https://grantcounty.webex.com/recordingservice/sites/grantcounty/recording/play/3f895b0508ed4c0ca17bad8d391c9b5c>

Next regular meeting October 19, 2020

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tara Street