

# **Town of Meredith Planning Board**

## **Workshop**

### **May 20, 2010**

Member present: Outsen, Vogt, Turick, Alexander, Dapkins, Rider, Rall  
Shelly Johnson from DCPD  
Matt Currey from Department of Health

Outsen opened meeting 6:40 p.m.

Resumes for the Clerk position were handed out to members for review. Outsen will set up interviews for June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Matt Currey Presentation:

DOH is involved if the L&L subdivision falls under their "Realty Subdivision" definition of 5 acres or less on 5 or more lots.

Currey reviewed L&L's DEIS and offered the following information.

- All Alternate septic systems must be approved by DOH
- Conventional septic systems do not need approval.
- Alternate septic systems are normal to this region.
- DEP has authority over lots in the NYC Watershed areas.
- More water testing was suggested due to the high level of lead in one tested well.
- More water testing to see if turbidity clears
- The high iron is a visual problem.
- Testing for inorganic and volatile chemicals was recommended, especially where the buildings burned down years ago and where old farm dumps were.
- If homeowners discovered contamination after purchasing their lots, there is a Spill Clean Up Program offered. But, Town Of Meredith is allegedly not responsible for contamination.
- Lab results cover ecoli
- All test results will be recorded on the PLAT for potential buyers to review.

Currey handed out written information including laws, septic regulations, fact sheets, testing and development recommendations.

Johnson had a list of consultant firms contacted in 2007. Board decided to re-contact them plus a few more. Total of 10 firms will be asked for a proposal to help the Board review the L&L subdivision proposal.

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