

Sterling

Commission

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Board of Selectmen Town of Sterling 1 Park St. Sterling, MA 01564

Gentlemen:

On June 24, the old Town Hall septic system was pumped by Ground Control Inc. Terry Heinold attended and supervised the pumping, with assistance from Lou Manring and the DPW in locating and jackhammering the blacktop material over the tank manholes. Terry found the following:

- 1. The tank is a 1300-1500 gallon tank, determined by the volume pumped out after refilling the tank to suspend and remove sludge.
- 2. It is apparently cast in place with some forms remaining around the openings.
- 3. The two covers are Manhole sized installed over approximately 12" square openings on about 6'4" centers.
- 4. The tank feeds into a leaching field in gravel estimated at 1000+ sq. ft. in good operating condition.
- 5. There is a center underflow baffle and an outlet overflow baffle, both in good condition.

I hope this information will help to clarify the existence of a proper septic system at the old town hall.

Yours Truly

Vernon Gaw.

cc: Historical Commission Building Deeds Committee