

Technical Advisory Committee
Alternative Technology Subcommittee

May 14, 2009

Members present: Mike Snyder, Chuck Schwenner, Don Shirley, Mike Erdman, Dave Holmgren

1. The meeting minutes from the April 9, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved.
2. Mike S. gave the committee an update of the Accreditation site visit which PHDM went through during the week of April 20, 2009. Mike S. reported that all minimum program requirements in Environmental health were found to be met.
3. The committee discussed the minimum standards for approving alternative technologies. There was much discussion about using the NSF certification . Dave reported that he had spoken to NSF about the standard 40 testing. Dave suggested PHDM purchase NSF Standards 40, 46, and 245. Mike E. made a motion to accept NSF Standards 40 and 245 as the acceptable criteria for alternative treatment systems until revised or negative results and feedback may require restructuring these guidelines. Dave seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. No further action required for this since the Tech Manual already requires NSF standard 40 and 245 (for lots less than one acre).
4. Mike S. distributed a draft section for the Technical Manual dealing with the 100 Year Floodplain Determination. Mike asked for comments from the committee be sent to him by June 1, 2009 so this item can be taken to the Board of Health for approval at the June 17, 2009 meeting.
5. Mike S. reported that he feels there is a need for a section in the Technical Manual dealing with Composting Toilets. Recently PHDM has received more questions from individuals looking to install composting toilets. Mike S. will work with Bob to see if a draft section for the Technical manual can be written.
6. The Committee decided that there was no need at this time to schedule another meeting.