

**Board of Health  
Meeting Minutes -August 23, 2022  
Remote Meeting via Zoom**

**PRESENT via ZOOM**

Chairperson – Vincent Forte, Jr.  
Vice Chairperson - Patricia Leclair  
Member: Michael Hennessey  
Health Agent – Bruce Wilson, Jr.  
Food & Tobacco Inspector: Robert Griffin III via Zoom  
Minutes Clerk: Laura Renaud via Zoom

**OTHER TOWN OFFICIAL ATTENDEES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Forte called the meeting to order at 7:00.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Hennessey made a motion to approve the minutes of August 9, 2022, as presented. Ms. Leclair seconded, and the motion carried.

**HEALTH AGENT UPDATES**

150 South Main Street

Agent Wilson stated the installer was out on the property Friday and Monday. The components were put in the ground. They were waiting for the engineer to do the last trench for the as-builts. It will then be raked and seeded. He cannot loam and seed at night so it will be done by the upcoming Friday. All will be cleaned up. The homeowners need to decide on the contractor to pour the pad. The sidewalk is a separate issue which will be completed later. Everything is being done as required.

**TOBACCO AGENT UPDATES**

Agent Griffin explained the recent removal of the vaping ban. The only item allowed will be non-flavored tobacco which is the only thing the state allows. The Board did vote on June 21<sup>st</sup> to remove the ban. The permits would be applied and for and held under a one strike penalty. If a retailer violates any of the state specific vape regulations, then they would forfeit their permit. It does follow the state guidelines. There is a limit on the Tobacco Licenses in town. There are some places that sell vapes but not nicotine. They would be considered a separate entity. CBD type places have no nicotine. Agent Griffin is working with Town Counsel on the specific wording of this. Mr. Pruett was in attendance as he stated he has several locations in Bellingham. He was requesting updated regulations for the retailers. The ban was removed on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Agent Griffin stated all he had was the meeting minutes. He is waiting for Town Counsel to complete the written change. He did speak with each retailer about the rescinding of the ban.

Mr. Forte explained we would have to wait for something formal from Town Counsel or he suggested that he could have the minutes from that specific meeting. Mr. Pruett asked if he

could have something on letterhead stating the ban was lifted. Ms. Leclair stated the Board cannot do that yet.

Agent Griffin further explained that he is working with Town Counsel and as soon as it is completed it will be sent out. It should be completed by the next meeting.

### **PLAN REVIEWS:**

#### **205 Blackstone Street**

Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the local upgrade 310 CMR 15.405 1H for the septic system plan for 205 Blackstone Street to allow the bottom of the leech field bed to be 2 feet above groundwater where 4 feet of separation between groundwater is required. This is a Presly system. Ms. Leclair seconded, and the motion carried.

#### **18 Lemire Court**

Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the local upgrade 310 CMR 15.405 1A to install the septic system for 18 Lemire Court 6 feet to the property line where 10 feet is required and 310CMR15405 1 B to allow the septic system to be 5 feet to the foundation where 20 feet is required. A 40-mil poly barrier will be installed. Ms. Leclair seconded, and the motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **GOALS**

### **BILLS**

### **BETTERMENT LOANS**

### **BETTERMENT BILLS**

Ms. Leclair made a motion to approve the invoice for \$ 4750.00 to Civil Site Engineering and 205 Blackstone Street for engineering services. Mr. Hennessey seconded, and the motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Leclair made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 PM. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hennessey and the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Laura Renaud*

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Minutes Clerk

Approved 09/20/2022