

Board of Health Meeting Minutes 07/06/2017

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BOARD OF HEALTH

JULY 06, 2017

Minutes

PRESENT

Vice Chairperson: Kelly McGovern

Member: Vincent Forte, Jr.

Health Agent: Michael Catalano

Minutes Clerk: Tina Griffin

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. McGovern called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Forte to approve the minutes of June 15, 2017, as submitted.

Ms. McGovern seconded and the motion carried.

TOBACCO

The Board discussed the recent recreational marijuana laws and regulation changes that are being made. Mr. Forte shared some information that he has been following and researching. Ms. McGovern agreed with Mr. Catalano that no further action should be taken with the Board of Health at this time, until Ms. Edge comes into a meeting and updates the Board on the details of these regulations.

Mr. Catalano also advised the Board that he will get information from the MHOA (Massachusetts Health Officers Association) about the steps that may need to be taken regarding recreational marijuana sales.

Board members discussed the "adult only" tobacco shops and the number of permits allowed in town. Ms. McGovern suggested that this discussion be added to the August agenda for further review.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed a copy of the new Livestock Permit application. Board members agreed on the format of the application and asked Mr. Catalano to have a grammar revision made.

The Region 2 call list was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Forte asked to have "Jr." added to his name on the call list. All other information on the list appears to be correct.

NEW BUSINESS

Board members reviewed the warrant for septic funds. A motion was made by Mr. Forte to approve and submit the warrant article. His motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

Mr. Forte discussed an issue with Wind River Environmental that was brought to his attention by Mr. Goss, the homeowner of 5 Laurel Lane. Mr. Forte discussed an estimate that was provided to the homeowner for a repair that is needed on his septic system. Mr. Forte agreed with Mr. Goss that the quote for this repair work seemed higher than it should be. Mr. Forte called Wind River Environmental to inquire about the pricing for this project. The homeowner has since cancelled his repair work that

was scheduled to be done through Wind River Environmental and has made other arrangements to have this work done.

Ms. McGovern talked to Mr. Catalano about possibly having a list of companies that are recommended by the town to do septic services. Mr. Catalano stated that the Board of Health can't make a recommendation on what companies to use for septic services. However, a list of recommended companies could be added to the town website for people to review and contact for their estimates and be able to make their own decisions from the list.

HEALTH AGENT UPDATES

The Board acknowledged and discussed complaints that have come in since the last meeting. A copy of the complaint log was given to all Board members for review. Mr. Catalano shared some of the details of these complaints and their status with the Board.

Mr. Catalano told the Board that the Regal Theater snack bar renovation has been finished and that he has completed the inspection for this facility.

BILLS

A motion was made by Mr. Forte to pay \$2,650.96 to the Town of Upton for the Public Health Nurse, Tricia Parent. His motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Forte to pay \$75.00 to the MHOA for Mr. Catalano's past winter seminar. His motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Forte to pay \$450.00 to Michael Sarasin for recent Food Inspections. His motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

BETTERMENT LOANS

The Betterment Loan application was reviewed by the Board. All verbiage on the application was agreed upon. However, the Board would still like confirmation if they can require a copy of the applicant's tax forms to show proof of income when applying.

Mr. Catalano told the Board he would get the correct procedure information and provide Board members with that information at the next meeting on August 03, 2017.

PLANS FOR REVIEW

A septic plan for repairs at 11 Elbow Street was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the plan as noted:

- Please reduce setback from the foundation to the SAS (Soil Absorption System) from 20' to 14' per 310 CMR 15.405(b)~
- Please place 40 mil barrier between foundation and SAS

His motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

A septic plan for 31 Lawrence Street was reviewed by the Board. ~Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the plan as noted:

- Please allow a local upgrade to reduce the water table from 4' to 3' per 310 CMR 15.405(h)

His motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Forte moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm. His motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**NEXT MEETING IS AUGUST 03, 2017 AT 7:30 PM
DOWNSTAIRS**