

# **Board of Health Meeting Minutes**

**February 11, 2016**

Present: Julia Lane, Karen Spaziante and Scott Moles. Claire Scaramella was absent.  
Karen called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm.

## **Approval of Minutes**

**A motion was made by Karen Spaziante and seconded by Julia Lane to approve the 1/28/16 minutes. All in favor.**

## **Approval of Bills**

The following bills were approved and signed:

Century Health Systems, Inc. – VNA	\$99.00
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The Health Department received a MIIA deductible invoice in the amount of \$5,511 for the Waldman case. The Department will follow up and bring it back to the Board.

## **Public Comment**

None

## **FY17 Budget Discussion**

Health Agent Scott Moles began the FY17 budget discussion by presenting to the Board an up to date review of FY16 expenses as well as the FY17 budget proposal. The discussion centered on adding two hours to the second clerk position to allow the position to receive benefits. The Finance Committee (FinCom) was against this proposal last year.

Karen Spaziante suggested we present both options on one spreadsheet and prepare a memo explaining the departmental needs and second clerk position. Scott will prepare the memo. The Board presents to the FinCom on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Health Director's Report**

**Marshall Street Landfill:** Brian Atonavitch, Kleinfelder, who has replaced Stephen Wright came to the office to introduce himself to Health Agent Scott Moles. They discussed the Better Use Determination (BUD) application at the DEP which came in today; the Kleinfelder 3 year contract which is up on July 1<sup>st</sup>; and the inability to sample at one particular location multiple times which is a repeat item on the DEP list.

**Council on Aging (COA):** Health Agent Scott Moles will be going to the COA on Friday to inspect kitchen upgrades and the possible expansion of their food permit for facility cooking events up to 50 people and home meals for Seniors.

**Covanta:** Compliance Officer Brian Moran and Health Agent Scott Moles met with Covanta representatives to discuss the current sampling practices. Covanta wants to review their sampling area and storm event frequency. Brian and Scott told them they should be

sampling closer to the receptor stream when a heavier rain event occurs, and confirm the use of a clean sampling unit. They would like to review how Covanta is sampling as this could be a source of a positive bacteria result.

**MEHA Conference:** Health Agent Scott Moles attended the MEHA conference which centered on mainly Title 5 issues. They were told there is a current shortage of system operators for testing of nitrogen removing systems.

**Rabies Clinic:** The rabies clinic is scheduled for Saturday, April 2, 2016 at the Holliston Highway Department garage. Dr. Rod Poling, Holliston Animal Hospital, will be providing the vaccine for a fee of \$12 per animal. Town Clerk Elizabeth Greendale will be there to issue dog licenses.

**Vault Storage:** Ann Adams has been busy in the vault with the Health and Planning departments eliminating duplicates and maximizing our storage capabilities.

**Glen Ellen, Millis:** Millis Board of Selectmen voted to exercise their right not to purchase the Glen Ellen Golf Club property. Meetings have begun regarding traffic impacts and other issues for this large project.

**Septic System Betterment Program:** The Holliston program was terminated in 1998 due to the cost to administer, low volume of participant, new and lower income qualifications and the negative effect on the Town's bond rating. There is currently one person wanting to use a loan program to upgrade their septic. Health Agent Scott Moles is guiding her to other possible State and private programs.

**Cold Weather:** Be prepared for upcoming very cold weather predicted.

#### **Board of Health Comment**

Karen Spaziente will not be at the 2/25/16 Board meeting.

Julia Lane is considering pulling papers for nomination to the open Board position. She will keep the Board informed.

**Karen Spaziente motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Julia Lane seconded, and passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted:  
Lisa Deering, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 3-10-16