Board of Health Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2018

Present: Claire Ann Scaramella, Julia Lane and Scott Moles. Kylie Williams was absent. Claire called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Bills

Natick VNA, Inc.

\$150.00

The MAVEN system was unavailable prior to the meeting, so the two items on the Natick VNA, Inc. bill were unidentified at the time of the meeting. The Board will be notified as soon as information is available.

Claire Scaramella commented that she would not be running again for the open Board of Health seat. She is planning on going back to school and will not have time for the commitment. Claire will continue to volunteer at our annual flu clinics.

Health Director's Report

FY19 Budget: Health Agent Scott Moles presented the Board three budget scenarios for review. The first has a 2% salary increase and level funds the remaining accounts, the second has a 2% salary increase and reduces the remaining accounts to approach a 1.5% overall increase and the third scenario followed Finance Committee guidelines with a 1% salary increase and 1.5% overall increase.

Scott informed the Board that a 1% salary increase would not even cover the cost of insurance increases. He also told them that the Selectmen approved budgets at their meeting at both the 1% salary and 2% salary levels, which only confuses the issue. The Board of Health staff are both at their top step, so there would be no step increase to them. Scott would like to present the 2%, level account funded budget to the Finance Committee. The Board discussed the options presented and made the following motion.

Motion: Claire Scaramella voted to accept the 2% salary, level account funded, with a total 1.85% increase overall for consideration by the Finance Committee. Seconded by Julian Lane; all in favor.

2018 Goals:

New Member - With Claire Scaramella's announcement earlier in the evening, a new member will be necessary.

Possible barn regulations.

Town Hall Flood Damage: During the recent extreme cold weather, the town hall building was damaged by flooding. The damage was primarily at the other end of the building from the Board of Health both on the lower level and the first floor. Offices are severely damaged and many people are displaced during the work day. The State came and did particulate testing and will forward a written report. ServiceMaster has been in cleaning and removing ruined material.

It was determined the freezing was a result of a hall rental customer leaving the back door open for a lengthy period. Health Agent Scott Moles presented a list of recommended cleaning and updates to maintain a healthy work environment.

Town Meeting: Town Meeting is scheduled for May 7, 2018 and the Town election is May 22nd.

755 Concord Street Barn: Rebecca Brodie, 70 Lake Shore Drive, has gotten more animals and is keeping them at 755 Concord Street. The State Department of Agriculture has been notified. A barn inspection determined the baby goats are under quarantine and drinking water was frozen during the extreme cold. The State is taking the lead in the investigation and is working with Dona Walsh, Animal Control Officer. They are in regular communication and keeping the Health Department informed.

A neighbor of Rebecca called the office today to report witnessing her remove 2 baby goats from her house and put them in her car for transport.

Covanta: Compliance Officer Brian Moran submitted the quarterly report. Site Supervisor Ryan Fillion was offsite earlier this week and the department was not notified and two radiation incidents occurred without the department being notified. Health Agent Scott Moles has emailed Covanta to follow up with this incidents.

Board Member Comment

None

Claire Scaramella motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:43. Julia Lane seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted: Lisa Deering, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 2-1-18