

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2018

Present: Claire Ann Scaramella, Julia Lane, Kylie Williams and Scott Moles.

Claire called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment

Three Regis nursing students were present as part of a course requirement to attend a Board of Health meeting.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Julia and seconded by Kylie to approve the 12/21/17 minutes. Passed.

A motion was made by Julia and seconded by Claire to approve the 1/18/18 minutes. Passed.

Approval of Bills

The following bill was approved and signed:

Stantec – Covanta Compliance Officer	\$2,433.75
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Food Permit fee waiver request

The Board discussed the request for the Food Permit fee waiver from the Food Pantry for the Souper Bowl, a fund-raiser for the non-profit organization.

Kylie made motion to waive the Food Permit fee for the Food Pantry's Souper Bowl. Clair seconded. Passed.

Health Director's Report

Barn Fire: Scott updated the Board on the barn fire at 755 Concord Street. The State Fire Marshall said it was accidental. The Animal Rescue League, MSPCA and our Animal Control Officer are caring for the surviving animals. The deceased animals were buried properly within 72 hours. Scott arranged for BoH Agent Paul Saulnier to inspect the burial process.

The Health Department provided pig food to the Animal Control Officer, Dona Walsh. And may need to provide more as the supply is dwindling.

The State and local agencies had met with Rebecca Brodie the week before the fire and requested the proper documentation on the animals, as many didn't have identification or papers of origin. Brodie Farm didn't have the proper permits with the DEA, nor the Town. The Brodie Farm website was taken down.

Norovirus at High School: Holliston High School nurse, Erica Olsen, sent an email to parents and Scott Thursday afternoon communicating that there was a confirmed case of norovirus. Scott is talking with Erica about the proper procedures to respond to the outbreak.

Natick Visiting Nurses will stop providing services to Holliston and 3 surrounding towns, doing their communicable disease, MAVEN work as of April 1, 2018. The Natick VNA said we could contact Cynthia Anderson, the nurse who is currently doing our work at Natick VNA. Scott

has spoken to the Sherborn Health Department, discussing maybe we can collaborate as 4 communities and hire Cynthia. This change will have an impact on our budget.

FY'19 Budget: Scott and the Board discussed the budget and approval process. There was discussion regarding the funding level and the money going to the School Department vs the Town Hall. The teachers, police and firefighters are unionized. Town Hall employees are the only non-union group. Scott will present to the Finance Committee on Tuesday February 13 at 8:05 PM if the Board wants to join him.

Town Hall Repair: On Sunday, January 14, 2018 the Town Hall had a pipe freeze/burst, but thanks to Chris Meo, Technology Director, the problem was detected quickly as he saw a temperature drop. Chris monitors the buildings' temperatures for his computer equipment. However the water damage resulted in significant repair and cleaning required that was disruptive to many town offices.

Scott had the State come and test the Town Hall air quality. The State said the air quality was ok, but recommended that the 12 year old carpet in the basement be removed as carpet is not recommended in below ground applications.

The air quality testing will be repeated in the spring. There were some complaints from the first floor about a mold smell, but the State air quality testing doesn't include mold testing.

Scott has sent an email to Jeff Ritter, Town Administrator recommending several remedial measures, of which many were mentioned in the State air testing report, including additional cleanings to improve the air quality in Town Hall.

157 Lowland: Scott updated the Board on the activity at 157 Lowland Street. Mike Brumber had exceeded the tonnage of recycled asphalt grindings. The State sent Mike a letter of non-compliance. In addition there were 50 tractor-trailer loads of snow dumped on the site which is a violation of the Zoning Board, as it is a no-snow zone being a Zone 2 of the water system.

Mike Brumber still hasn't addressed the noise and traffic complaints from the Building Inspector, Peter Tartakoff. The State is in a fact-finding mode. Scott will see if he can get the minutes from that meeting. 194 Lowland Street, Brumber's leaf composting site still has a Cease and Desist Order from the Conservation Commission, Planning and Building Departments.

Conservation Commission is re-staffing after the Conservation Agent and Assistant resigned (personal reasons and new job respectively). A previously retired Agent, Chuck Katuska has returned to help out until the new Agent Ryan Clapp can be fully acclimated. Ryan will start next week, hopefully. The new Assistant, Kristin Stearley has been working for several weeks.

Lyme Disease Webinar: Scott participated in this webinar and offered it to the Board if they were interested.

Construction:

- 5 Perc soil tests are scheduled, and can be done when the ground thaws
- Subdivision off of Norfolk Street waiting to be built

- 40 septic installers renewed their permits
- 12 septic haulers got their permits

Rabies Clinic Saturday April 4, 2018 from 9 to 11 at the Highway Garage.

Board of Health member vacancy: Claire will not be returning to the Board as she is pursuing her masters. Candidates interested in running for the Board can get papers from the Town Clerk, and must submit them by April 1st to be on the ballot.

Board Member Comment

Kylie is now OSHA 30 Certified, a training courses for construction and general Industry health and safety.

Kylie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Claire seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted:
Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 2-15-18