

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2019

Present: Kylie Williams, Laura Nolan, and Scott Moles. Absent: Julia Lane
Kylie called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Kylie and seconded by Laura to approve the 1/24/2019 minutes. Passed.

Approval of Bills

The following bills were approved and signed:

Stantec, Covanta Compliance Officer	\$2,700.00
UMass Amherst Beaver Control Management Course	\$75.00

Health Director's Report

Director Evaluation: Scott requested input from the Board regarding his performance in preparation for his evaluation meeting with the Town Administrator, Jeff Ritter. The Board will email Scott their feedback.

FY'20 Budget drafts were discussed. Scott (Health Director/Agent) presented the first draft budget that meets the Finance Commission (FinCom) directives (2.5% salary increase, 1.5% overall, plus unexpected communications costs), and a second draft budget that has a 6.1% salary increase requested by the Director. The Board say no objections to the Budget requesting the 6.1% Director's salary increase to bring salary in line with other communities and experience. **Kylie motioned to accept the FY'20 Budget with the 6.1% Director's salary increase, and the first draft budget if the 6.1% salary increase is denied by FinCom. Laura seconded. Passed.**

Flu season is here, Scott reported. There were 2 infant deaths reported locally, Framingham and Milford, that have been attributed to the flu.

Town Hall air quality was tested by Power Bees. The Assessors and Treasurer's offices especially are complaining of an unknown irritant. It is not mold as the space is dry. The thermostats and heat were recently adjusted. It could be off gassing from the new carpets. Scott will provide the Board with the Power Bees report as soon as it is available.

Public Record Request training happened at Town Hall in response to a video of a public records request in Wayland that was handled poorly. It is important that all Town employees understand the proper procedures in handling public record requests in an appropriate and timely manner.

Marshall Street Landfill solar farm: SunPower will be presenting their report to the Selectmen for a solar farm at the Marshall Street Landfill. It has not been reviewed by the Conservation

Commission for approval, and will require Board of Health approval before it can be acted upon. Laura specifically wants to know how the solar farm will be maintained and what will happen to it at the end of its service life. Scott will forward all information to the Board when it becomes available.

HIV outbreak in Lowell and Framingham connected with the opioid crisis, according to Scott.

Annual Report is due to the Selectmen next week. Scott asked the Board for their input.

Housing issues:

- A housing complaint was resolved when Scott had the Republic Waste Services do an extra trash pick-up at Kathryn Lane.
- Scott is helping ensure two OCPD residents return to their homes only when the homes are safe.

Emergency Centers: Kylie asked about emergency centers, specifically cooling centers. Scott explained that there are emergency plans for such centers, and they can be set up when the State declares an emergency.

Board Member Comment

Laura mentioned that Tony Lulek of Little Beehive Farm, had contacted her regarding the BoH's interest in their newly formed "Healthy Holliston Homes" group. The Healthy Holliston Homes group is promoting pesticide awareness and healthy choices. They have talked with Karen Lasola at the State. The Board asked that Tony and his group be invited to the next BoH meeting.

Kylie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. Seconded by Laura. Passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 2-21-19