

BOARD OF Health MEETING MINUTES

BOH Meeting Minutes
August 19, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m., by Chairman, Ted Briggs. Also in attendance were; Member, Al Holman; Member, Richard Desjardins ; and Asst. Public Health Supervisor, Diane Tiernan.

Agenda was reviewed and approved.

Minutes were reviewed.

Motion one – Al made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting dated 7/15/21, and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Minutes were accepted.

Vouchers were reviewed and signed.

A septic design for 103 Christian Hill Road – Mahendra Vichare was reviewed. The plan was previously reviewed and approved by Agent, Paul McKeon.

Motion two - Al made a motion to approve of the design, and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Septic permit was approved and signed.

Well permits were reviewed for; Robert Patheau – 147 North Street and Anthony DiVerdi – 49 Warren Street.

Motion three - Richard made a motion to approve of the well applications, and Al seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Well permits were approved and signed.

A request for extension of perc/deeps for Sean MacDonald – 0 Westboro Road was reviewed. The testing will expire on 10/2/21.

Motion four - - Richard made a motion to grant a one year extension of soil testing at 0 Westboro Road for Sean MacDonald, and Al seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Extension was approved with a new expiration date of 10/2/22.

A Food permit for the Men's Club fireworks was reviewed. The food inspector will inspect each vendor the day of the event.

Motion five - - Al made a motion to approve of the permit, and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Food permit was approved and signed.

Tobacco permits were reviewed for; Gasco, Liquor Plus, Getty station, Colonial Liquor, Country Club Sooper, and Honey Farms.

Motion six - - Al made a motion to approve of the above tobacco permits, and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Tobacco permits were approved and signed.

Diane stated that EL Harvey will be starting a new policy effective tomorrow, that they will only pick up one bulk item per family per week. Unfortunately, several residents are abusing the system and changes had to be made.

Diane discussed the present Covid situation in town. Currently there are 11 active cases in Upton. The schools will be opening soon, and there is much debate about mask requirements. Trish is confident that the Department of Education will step in and mandate the mask requirement until October 1st.

Diane discussed the most recent housing complaint at 6 Milford Street. Ted has inspected the apartment that has a severe leak in the shower, causing water to flow down into the hallway. The landlord has been ordered in writing to make corrections and a re-inspection will occur.

47 4:45 p.m. Mike Moran arrived. Mike reviewed his recent activity with the Board

- 48 • Mike stated the dog he removed from Chestnut Street is now in foster care. He is still working with the
- 49 liaison at the hospital where the owner is being evaluated. The dogs foster care will remove the financial
- 50 burden from the town while we are awaiting a decision.
- 51 • Dog bite at a commercial business at Walker Drive was discussed - a hearing will be necessary with the
- 52 Selectmen as this was not the first bite.
- 53 • Lots of complaints regarding wildlife, particularly a wild fox with mange.
- 54 • Complaint from resident on Grove Street – been to the residence more than once for a loose dog. Owner
- 55 of the dog complained to the town manager, but Mike never spoke to the daughter that was the subject
- 56 matter.

57 **Motion seven** – - Al made a motion to adjourn and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion
58 unanimous.

59 5:14 p.m. meeting was adjourned.

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64 Diane Tiernan

65 Asst. Public Health Supervisor