

# BOARD OF Health MEETING MINUTES

BOH Meeting Minutes  
July 15, 2021

- 1 The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m., by Chairman, Stedman (Ted) Briggs. Also in attendance were;  
2 Member, Al Holman; Member, Richard Dejardins; and Asst. Public Health Supervisor, Diane Tiernan.
- 3 Agenda was approved.
- 4 Minutes to the previous meeting were reviewed
- 5 **Motion One** – Al made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from the previous meeting dated 5/27/21, and  
6 Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Minutes were accepted.
- 7 Board reviewed the final draft of the Inter-Municipal Agreement for a public health inspector for 8 towns utilizing  
8 grant money.
- 9 **Motion two** – Richard made a motion to approve the IMA , and appoint Diane and Trish as members. Al seconded  
10 the motion and Ted made the motion unanimous. Agreement and appointments were approved.
- 11 **Motion three** – Richard made a motion to appoint Patricia Parent as the voting representative for the Town of  
12 Upton, for the Region 2 PHEP Steering Committee. This appointment would be effective 7/1/21 – 6/30/22. Al  
13 seconded the motion and Ted made the motion unanimous. Appointment was approved.
- 14 Board reviewed the one year contract extension for EL Harvey, dated 7/1/21 – 6/30/22.
- 15 **Motion four** – Al made a motion to approve the one year contract extension and Richard seconded the motion.  
16 Ted made the motion unanimous. Extension was approved. The Selectmen will also vote on the extension at  
17 their next scheduled meeting.
- 18 A septic design was reviewed for Douglas John and Amanda Graham - 12 Glenview Street. Plan was previously  
19 approved by the agent, Paul McKeon.
- 20 **Motion five** - Richard made a motion to approve the design and Al seconded the motion. Ted made the motion  
21 unanimous. Plan was approved.
- 22 Diane discussed the present trash and recycling contract, and stated we will need to post an RFP in the next few  
23 months. Our present contract with Harvey's will expire at the end of June in 2022. Board stated we will put  
24 together the specifications for an RFP and let the townspeople decide if they want to continue with curbside  
25 services.
- 26 5:00 p.m., ACO, Mike Moran arrived.
- 27 Diane gave an update on COVID, presently there are only two active cases in Upton. Trish continues to monitor  
28 the situation and offer any assistance needed.
- 29 A septic permit was reviewed for 196 Mechanic Street – -Mike Paquette to install Pirana Technology to his septic  
30 tank. Agent, Paul McKeon will observe the installation. Diane has also been in contact with DEP regarding this  
31 new technology and has received all required paperwork from Grants Septic who is performing the installation.

32 **Motin six** – Al made a motion to approve the permit and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion  
33 unanimous. Permit was approved.

34 Mike Moran gave his report of activity:

35 • Presently kenneling a dog whose owner has been hospitalized for several weeks. Unsure if the woman  
36 will be returning to her home or not. One of her dogs was found deceased and the other he had to take  
37 to a vet for immediate care. He is working with the liason for the hospital and has plans to try and foster  
38 the dog until decisions have been made.

39 • Dog bites – recent dog bite involved a dog that lives out of town but is brought to a local business. Dog  
40 has bit more than one person. May have to go before the Selectmen

41 • Mike asked if we could add horses to the fines/tickets that are issued to a pet owner when their pet is  
42 loose or vicious. He stated more than once a horse has gotten loose and it's a lot of work and time to  
43 capture it and return it to the owner. Right now, there is no fine in place.

44 **Motion six** – Al made a motion to add horses to the fine/ticket process and Richard seconded the motion.  
45 Ted made the motion unanimous. Motion was approved.

46 • Lots of wildlife calls, coyote under porch, foxes that have mange, woodchucks and other wildlife

47 • There also seems to be a problem with song birds dying. The state would like people to report any dead  
48 bird they find. It appears to be some type of a virus. Diane was asked to post more information on the  
49 towns' website.

50 **Motion seven** – Richard made a motion to adjourn and Al seconded the motion. Ted made the motion  
51 unanimous.

52 5:22 p.m., Meeting was adjourned.

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54 Respectfully submitted,

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56 Diane Tiernan