

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
April 19, 2017

An Organizational Meeting of the Board of Health was held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was duly posted. Board members present: Jeannine Lopes and Peter DeTerra. Also present: Patricia Fowle, Health Agent.

Chairwoman Lopes called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and stated that this is an Organizational Meeting of the Board of Health. She called for nominations for Chair of the Board.

Ms. Lopes nominated Mr. DeTerra as Chairman of the Board; Mr. DeTerra seconded. The vote was unanimous. Mr. DeTerra is Chairman of the Board of Health.

Chairman DeTerra called for nominations for Vice Chair of the Board.

Chairman DeTerra nominated Ms. Lopes as Vice Chairwoman of the Board; Ms. Lopes seconded. The vote was unanimous. Ms. Lopes is Vice Chairwoman of the Board of Health.

There being no other organizational business before the Board, Chairman DeTerra motioned to close the meeting; Ms. Lopes seconded. The vote was unanimous and the Organizational Meeting closed at 6:34 pm.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
April 19, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at 6:35 p.m. The meeting was duly posted. Board members present: Peter DeTerra and Jeannine Lopes. Also present: Patricia Fowle, Health Agent.

Chairman DeTerra called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 29, 2017.

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Mr. DeTerra. The vote was unanimous.

Before the Board:

Mr. Alan Ewing, P.E., Ewing Engineering, Fairhaven, MA was before the Board for a proposed repair septic plan for 455 Bridge Street. The proposed plan is for a three-bedroom dwelling with a new 1500 gallon monolithic septic tank, 1000 gallon monolithic dosing tank and 22'x43' Cultec 100 field. The design required the following variances from DEP's Title 5: (1) 15.212-groundwater separation less than 4', (2) 15.211-leaching facility less than 20' from the cellar wall, (3) 15.227(5)-tank inlets are less than 12" above high groundwater elevation, and (4) Board of Health Regulations, 432-19-leaching facility is 50' from a BVW. The proposed repair constitutes the maximum feasible compliance with current Title 5 and will provide a significant benefit to groundwater without undue inconvenience and expense to the owners and neighborhood.

Motion to approve the plan with the requested variances was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Mr. DeTerra. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Stevie Carvalho, P.E., Farland Corp, New Bedford, MA was before the Board for a proposed repair septic plan for 16 Wilbur's Point Drive. The proposed plan is for a two-bedroom dwelling with a new 2000 gallon H2O monolithic sewage holding tank. The lot is 3,200 sq ft and fronts Buzzards Bay. The design required the following variances from DEP's Title 5: (1) 15.211-leaching facility less than 10' from

the west property line and (2) 15.260-use of a tight tank. The proposed repair constitutes the maximum feasible compliance with current Title 5 and will provide a significant benefit to groundwater without undue inconvenience and expense to the owners and neighborhood.

Motion to approve the plan with the requested variances was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Mr. DeTerra. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Diane and Mr. Roger Judge, 22 Summit Drive were before the Board for a public hearing for the keeping of one potbelly pig "Lola" on their property. All abutters were notified of the hearing and none were in attendance. The site visit by the Health Agent and Animal Control Officer was performed and everything is in compliance with the Board's Animal Regulations.

Motion to approve the keeping of one potbelly pig at 22 Summit Drive was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Mr. DeTerra. The vote was unanimous.

Health Agent's Report:

The Board reviewed and discussed the food establishment inspection log sheets.

The Board received a proposed amendment to its Board of Health Regulations, Chapter 432-12 regarding requirements for engineered as-built plans for septic systems. Town Counsel Tom Crotty reviewed the original proposed regulation and upon discussion recommended a simple re-wording of an existing regulation that will accomplish what the Board was seeking. A public hearing with notification in a local newspaper is required for adoption. Chairman DeTerra requested this be placed on the next agenda. Ms. Lopes concurred.

Town Counsel Crotty reviewed the proposed contract with Simple Recycling for curbside textile recycling. Mr. Crotty proposed a number of recommendations including discussion at Town Meeting for a consensus from that Body. Other issues raised are (1) the contract should be for three years not five, with an option for one year, (2) negative feedback on Simple Recycling is that they take away from other outlets such as Salvation Army and Good Will charging those outlets for materials collected by Simple Recycling and sold in the second hand stores, and (3) a recommendation that the Town's solid waste issues be combined into one department rather than the current system that involves many departments. The Board felt that all of the recommendations should be given serious consideration. Additionally, the agenda for Town Meeting May, 2017, is finalized. The Board tabled any further discussion on the matter at this time.

The Board reviewed and signed invoices.

There being no other business before the Board, Mr. DeTerra motioned to adjourn; Ms. Lopes seconded. The vote was unanimous at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Fowle, Health Agent