

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
June 13, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was duly posted. Board members present: Peter DeTerra, Jeannine Lopes and Lindsay Gordon. Also present: Patricia Fowle, Health Agent and Paula Medeiros, Administrative Assistant.

Chairman DeTerra called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 16, 2017 and the Emergency Meeting of May 30, 2017.

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

Public Hearing:

Before the Board was Jill Manzone of 60 Washington Street to request approval for the keeping of 2 chickens. Ms. Manzone stated that she had been unaware a permit was required. The Health Agent did report that in February Animal Control Officer had been to the property on a complaint. The BOH sent notice to Ms. Manzone with the Board of Appeals process. Ms. Manzone was approved by the Board of Appeals. The Board of Health notified all abutters. The Board of Health Agent reports that the property does not meet minimum requirements for the BOH of 20' from a dwelling. There are currently no problems with rodents on the property. Ms. Manzone indicated that they are in the process of looking to purchase a home and only anticipate being at the property until end of May of 2018. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Lopes motioned to approve the keeping of 2 chickens with conditions of a time frame approved until June 1, 2018, no new chickens were to be introduced even if these chickens die, if a rodent problem presents in the future, the permit will be voided and the permit will not be extended beyond June 1, 2018. Ms. Gordon seconded. The vote was 2 in favor and Mr. DeTerra opposed.

Before the Board for Review:

The Health Agent provided an update to the Health Agent position. The Board reviewed the resumes that have been submitted to date. Discussion ensued.

The Health Agent provided an update on the Health inspector position. Mark Rees, Town Administrator has approved the position for Mary Freire-Kellogg and signed the Change of Status. The Board reviewed a report on the Food Establishment inspections to date. Discussion ensued.

1. The Board reviewed a septic system inspection for 7 Sippican Street performed by Fairhaven Honeywagon, inspector Ronald Arruda on June 6, 2017. The Health Agent was present during the inspection. The inspection passed. Ms. Lopes motioned to accept the septic system inspection for 7 Sippican Street; Ms. Gordon seconded. The vote was unanimous.

2. The Board reviewed a septic system inspection for 140 New Boston Road performed by Aubin's Building, inspector Dennis Aubin on June 8, 2017. The Health Agent was present during the inspection. The inspection passed.

Ms. Lopes motioned to accept the septic system inspection for 140 New Boston Road; Ms. Gordon seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Health Agent's Report:

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

Review of current complaints. Discussion ensued.

Discussion on tight tank policy per DEP notice of June 7, 2017. The Health Agent received a response from DEP indicating the past approvals of Tight Tanks are approved and enforced upon by the approving authority as defined by 310 CMR 15.002. Given this situation, only the BOH is the approving authority for any tight tank requests. With regard to the existing tight tank at Earl's Marina, 56 Goulart Memorial Drive, it is the DEP's position that any change in use or flow is subject to the approval of the local Board of Health. Because of the confusion on the accuracy of the number of gallons of flow entering the tight tank, Town counsel, Attorney Crotty recommended the owner Mr. Hebert hire an engineer to recalculate the existing present flow per Title 5 regulation. Mr. Hebert stated he has hired engineer Rick Charon to perform the analysis and the Board will review. Discussion ensued.

The Board reviewed and signed invoices.

The Administrative Assistant presented to the Board for their approval and signatures the Community Nurse/Public Health Contract. The contract details remain the same as the past year.

Ms. Lopes motioned to accept the contract; Ms. Lopes seconded. The vote was unanimous.

The next Board meeting will be July 12, 2017.

There being no other business before the Board, Ms. Lopes motioned to adjourn; Ms. Gordon seconded. The vote was unanimous at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Medeiros, Administrative Assistant