

**Halifax Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 02, 2016**

On Wednesday, a meeting of the Halifax Board of Health was held at the Halifax Town hall.

Present at the meeting were:

John DeLano – Chairman
John Weber – Co-Chairman
Alan J. Dias - Clerk
Cathleen Drinan – Health Agent
Peggy Selter, Administrative Assistant

The Board of Health meeting opened at 6:30p.m.

1. Disposal Works Permits:

a. Ratify Agents Approval:

i. 160 Franklin Street

A Motion was made to ratify Health Agent's approval

Motion: John Weber

Second: Alan Dias

Unanimous vote on the motion

ii. Amanda's Way Phase I

A Motion was made to ratify Health Agent's approval

Motion: Alan Dias

Second: John Weber

Unanimous vote on the motion

iii. Amanda's Way Phase IV

A Motion was made to ratify Health Agent's approval

Motion: Alan Dias

Second: John Weber

Unanimous vote on the motion

2. Bring to Board's Attention: - [Agent updated Board](#)

a. Tri-Town Facts urges Vote No on Question 4

b. Toxic algae bloom closes shellfish harvesting south of Cape Cod

c. Planning Board Action: Approval by Board of Health guidelines:

i. Board of Health sub-division approve/disapprove form

A Motion was made to approve sub-division definitive plan form template

Motion: John Weber

Second: Alan Dias

Unanimous vote on the motion

3. Discussion Items:

- i. 6:30pm – Smoking Issue: Twin Lakes Condominium. - Tammy Rice was in attendance
 1. The Board opened the discussion to Ms. Rice who informed them of a smoking issue currently taking place with-in her condominium unit being rented to tenants.
 - a. The Board acknowledged the issue and advised Ms. Rice that it is their opinion that this is a civil matter and they do not believe the Board has the right to intervene. The Board recognized that the Town & Board of Health does have a nuisance law, but surmises this would not fall under any of the legal criteria.
 - b. The Board suggested Ms. Rice work with the Board of Condominium Trustees and request help with the issue, such as; suggesting installing ventilation systems, all residents that smoke, smoke inside their units only or set a minimum smoking distance from unit doorways.
 - c. The Board agreed unanimously that the Health Agent would address a letter to the Condominium Trustees on their behalf stating that they recognize this as an unhealthy situation for the residents and request that they take appropriate measures to rectify the situation.
- ii. 6:45pm – Animal Hoarding: Beginning talks on unsupervised rough/tenement boarding of animals. - Terri Carmon & Suzanne Emerson of the Agricultural Commission were in attendance. Lenny Rowe, WATD in attendance.
 1. The Board updated the Agricultural Commission on how/why the discussion came to light.
 - a. The Agricultural Commission commented that they would like to work in conjunction with the Animal Inspector when barn inspections are deemed bad/difficult, before the state is contacted to help fellow residents/farmers understand what is required and needs to be done in such cases.
 - b. The Agricultural Commission commented that they would like to work in conjunction with the Animal Inspector, the Board of Health, MSPCA, the Health Agent, and the Animal Control Officer when issues of neglect arise, preferably before the State intervenes; again, to help fellow residents/farmers understand what is required and needs to be done in such cases.
 - c. The Agricultural Commission extended a welcome to the Animal Inspector, Tracy Noland who came to an Agricultural Commission meeting and introduced herself to the Commission.

2. The Board and Agricultural Commission discussed the Barn/Stable Regulations and the desire of wanting it to be a productive, healthy process for all involved
 - a. The Agricultural Commission commented that they are currently working on best management practices for chickens because of all the calls received regarding them lately. They stated that they would have the best management practices available to the Board of Health and ready to be implemented into the Barn/Stable Regulations by March 2017.
 - iii. Orangeburg Piping (Policy?)
 1. Goes back to code book, anything encountered not to code must be replaced.
 - iv. Hawaii Garden: Update – Admin updated Board
 - v. 17 Lake Street: Update
 1. Perc test scheduled for November 17, 2016 – Admin updated Board
 - vi. 395 Plymouth Street: Update
 1. Efficient Excavating to commence soon – Admin updated Board
 - b. **Admin Report:** – Admin updated Board
 - i. Fieldstone Show Park: Update
 - ii. Curtesy reminder for 2017 food establishment permit application renewals went out today
4. **The Following to be signed:**
- a. **Meeting Minutes:** - Board Signed
 - i. October 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes
 - b. **Revolving Account# 25-513 – FY 17-01 - Board Signed**
 - i. Spath Engineering – Invoice# 101816-743 – 59 Pratt Street – Plan Review - \$85.00
 - ii. Spath Engineering – Invoice# 102116-743 – 160 Franklin Street – Plan Review - \$85.00
 - iii. Grady Consulting – Invoice# 8099 – Amanda’s Way Phase I – Plan Review - \$85.00
 - iv. Grady Consulting – Invoice# 8099 – Amanda’s Way Phase IV – Plan Review - \$85.00
 - c. **Revolving Account# 25-513 – FY 17-02 - Board Signed**
 - i. Maureen Lee – Invoice# - Consulting Services - Hawaii Garden - \$800.00
 - d. **NBEP Grant Account# 21-590-5385-253 – FY 17-01 - Board Signed**
 - i. Stormwater Outfall Assessment East & West Monponsett Ponds: Invoice# 55353 - Fees Earned to Date - \$5,000.00
 - ii. Stormwater Outfall Assessment East & West Monponsett Ponds: Invoice# 56938 - Fees Earned to Date - \$2,130.00

- e. **NBEP Grant Account# 21-590-5385-253 – FY 17-02 - Board Signed**
 - i. Stormwater Outfall Assessment East & West Monponsett Ponds:
Invoice# 57407 - Fees Earned to Date - \$17,673.00
- f. **DHCD Grant Account# 28-507-5784 - FY 17-01 - Board Signed**
 - i. Efficient Excavating – Invoice# 867 – First release from original contract - \$23,000.00

g. Permits:

- i. Mudfest Event, November 2016: Robert Bergstrom
- ii. Nessralla Concession Mobile Food Permit at November 2016 Mudfest Event
- iii. Wicked Smokin BBQ Mobile Food Permit at November 2016 Mudfest Event
- iv. Jool’s Fried Dough Mobile Food Permit at November 2016 Mudfest Event
- v. TJ Concessions Mobile Food Permit at November 2016 Mudfest Event

A Motion was made to approve permits

Motion: John Weber
Second: Alan Dias
Unanimous vote on the motion

h. Mail Folder: - Board Read

i. Zoning Board of Appeals

- 1. November 2016 Mudfest Event:
 - a. Board of Selectmen voted to approve the November 2016 Mudfest Event.
- 2. 590 Monponsett Street

Adjournment

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:30p.m.

Motion: John Weber
Second: Alan Dias
Unanimous vote on the motion

Signed By:

John DeLano – Chairman
John Weber – Co-Chairman
Alan Dias – Clerk

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