

**Halifax Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 15, 2017**

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. 13 Dwight Street**

A Motion was made to ratify Health Agents approval

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

b. Requiring Local Upgrades & Variances: (but otherwise recommended for approval):

- i. 7:30 - Hearing: 12 Lingan Street: Mr. Joe Webby, design engineer and home owners in attendance.**
- 1. Allow the prop SAS to be 6’ from a lot line instead of 10’ required.**
 - 2. Allow the use of a sieve analysis to determine the LTAR**
 - 3. Allow the bottom of the proposed SAS to be 2’ from mottling instead of 4’ required. (with Hoot 600A Remedial Use)**
 - 4. Local upgrade needed for 15.405J**

A Motion was made to allow local upgrade and/or variance as requested, add allow use of special boot, cast-iron, in-place.

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

2. Bring to Board’s Attention:

- a. Approve change of year from 2016 to 2017 on January 04 previously approved Meeting Minutes.**

A Motion was made to approve change of year from 2016 to 2017 on January 04 previously approved Meeting Minutes.

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

b. Nomination of Inspector of Animals:

- i.** Tracy Noland has agreed to continue to be the Animal Inspector for the Town of Halifax.

A Motion was made to re-nominate Tracy Noland to continue as the Animal Inspector for the Town of Halifax from May 01, 2017 through April 30, 2018.

Motion: John Weber

Second: Alan Dias

Unanimous vote on the motion

c. Division of Fisheries & Wildlife – Encroachment onto State Property

d. 395 Plymouth Street: Update

e. Halifax Recycling Policy:

- i.** Buy Recycled

f. Town of Halifax - Training Workshops:

- i.** Harassment in May and Customer Service in June

g. Discussion on Possibility of Active Shooter Incidents:

- i.** Managing Today's Security Threats as a Municipality.

- 1.** Wednesday, 03.29.17, 8:30am 3:00pm, Hotel 1620 at Plymouth Harbor
180 Water Street, Plymouth, MA 02360.

- a.** Board requested administrative Assistant send email to Fire & Police Chief asking if anyone from their department will be attending the MIIA Training–Managing Today's Security Threats.

3. Discussion Items:

- a.** **6:30pm – MacDonald Industries:** Continue discussion on the possibility of joining the land at Marilyn's Way and Republic/BFI Landfill between Halifax & Bridgewater, filling the swale between the two (2) properties with soil and adding solar panels on top. - Marilyn MacDonald, Operations Manager, Mike MacDonald and Donald P. Nagle, Esq. for MacDonald Industries in attendance.

- i.** MacDonald Industries commented that Bridgewater Town Council voted to support the MacDonald Industries project at Marilyn's Way, Republic/BFI Landfill between Halifax & Bridgewater.

MacDonald Industries stated they are looking to get the same assistance and letter of non-binding support from the Board of Health in Halifax in order to obtain an Administrative Consent Order (ACO) from MassDEP.

- 1.** The Board asked if there was a benefit to the town of Bridgewater.

- a.** MacDonald Industries commented there was no benefit to the town of Bridgewater at this time.

- 2.** The Board asked if there were possible future benefit.

- a.** MacDonald Industries commented that tipping fees would be possible future benefits.

- 3.** The Board asked if foundry sand would be used.

- a.** MacDonald Industries commented that foundry sand would be used.

- 4.** The Board asked if there would be water treatment sludge.

- a.** MacDonald Industries commented that there would be water treatment sludge.

5. The Board asked if Republic Services was on board with the project.
 - a. MacDonald Industries commented that Republic Services is on board with the project, however, this is the non-binding phase. Republic would return at another time to meet with the Board, along with MacDonald Industries and to determine what would be best to put in the swale.
6. The Board asked if the town would have the option to decide what waste would go into the swale.
 - a. MacDonald Industries commented that the town would have the option to decide what waste would or would not go into the swale.
 - i. The Board commented that with a 40' elevation, there will have to be a lot of public hearings.
7. The Board asked if the Board of Health will have oversight if a concern appears and issues a cease & desist.
 - a. MacDonald Industries commented that the Board of Health does have that authority.
8. The Board asked if there was any feedback from Charlie Seelig.
 - a. The Health Agent commented that Mr. Seelig is aware of the project.
 - b. MacDonald Industries commented that they went to Mr. Seelig for direction and he directed them to the Board of Health. MacDonald Industries currently reports to Mr. Seelig annually and in turn he updates the Board of Selectmen.
 - c. MacDonald Industries commented that the ACO can state in it that "This consent order does not undermine the authority of the Board of Health.
9. The Board asked if it was the post-closure that involved the solar panels.
 - a. MacDonald Industries commented that it was a post-closure use for Republic Services capped landfill that involved the solar panels.
10. The Board asked if there was any benefit to the town.
 - a. MacDonald Industries commented that they would have to talk to the citizens, they don't have 100% of the answer.

A Motion was made to send a letter of non-binding support for MacDonald Industries to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

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

A Motion was made to amend the letter of non-binding support for MacDonald Industries to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection to include the condition that Republic Services is in cooperative agreement.

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

- b. **7:00pm** – Fieldstone Show Park: Well Testing – Mr. Scott Clawson, owner Fieldstone Show Park, Shawn Clawson, son of Mr. Scott Clawson and Attorney Phil A. Taylor, Counsel for Mr. Scott Clawson in attendance.
- i. At the Board of Health July 20, 2016 meeting the Board voted unanimously that Mr. Clawson must have his well water collected and tested by a state certified lab for potability and VOC's (volatile organic compounds) two to four weeks prior to each show. When two shows are within two weeks of each other, one test will suffice for those two. All test results will be shared with the Halifax Board of Health before each show.
 - ii. At the Board of Health January 04, 2017 meeting the Board voted unanimously that any and all future well samples shall be taken by an employee of a certified lab accompanied by chain-of-custody papers.
 1. A memo stating the above will be sent to the Board of Selectmen.
 - a. Keep these Board decisions in place.
 2. The Board commented that a copy of the well driller's completion report was never submitted to the Board of Health for the irrigation well started in July 2016 and requested one be submitted to the office as soon as possible.
 - a. Mr. Clawson stated he never received a well driller's completion report from the well drilling company but would contact the drilling company and have the information sent to the Board of Health.
 3. There was a discussion on the missing appendices A & B referenced in the Halifax well regulations.
 - a. The Health Agent informed the Board, Mr. Clawson and Attorney Taylor that she contacted DEP on February 14, 2017, who in turn referred her to the Dept. of Central Registry in Boston, MA. The appendixes A & B in question were part of the Model Board of Health Regulations for Private Wells distributed by MassDEP in 1989 and revised February 1998.
 4. The Board and Mr. Clawson agree that Board Member, Mr. Alan Dias will assist Mr. Clawson with the drawing of the drinking well and the irrigation well samples and Mr. Dias will then bring them to Analytical Lab.
 5. The Board would like to review the sample test results and then make a decision on the frequency of the testing.
 6. It was decided by all that hereafter, the house drinking well would be called House, well#1 and the field irrigation well would be called Field, Well#2.
 7. Mr. Clawson will return to the April 05, 2017 Board of Health meeting at 7:00pm to review the results of the water sample tests.
 8. Mr. Clawson & Attorney Phil Taylor will return to the April 19, 2017 meeting to discuss the frequency of the testing of the wells.

A Motion was made to appoint Alan Dias to collect water samples for the drinking well, House-Well#1 and the irrigation well, Field-Well#2.

Motion: John Weber
Second: John DeLano
Unanimous vote on the motion

- iii. Large Outdoor Event Regulations
- iv. Food Permits
 - 1. Summary of the 02.01.17 discussion at Board of Health meeting from Mr. Clawson’s Counsel, Attorney Phil A. Taylor.
- v. New State Promotors License
- c. Agricultural Commission: - [Agent Updated Board](#)
 - i. New completed pamphlet for “Generally Accepted/Normal Agricultural Practices for Keeping Backyard Horses”
 - ii. They plan to work on composting next and also gardening. (Example – Growing strawberries, tomatoes etc…)
- d. **Admin Report**: - [Admin. Updated Board](#)
 - i. 2017 Rabies Clinic: Month of June, 2017 Decided
 - 1. Letter faxed over to Dr. Hopkins on 03.09.17 and mailed on 03.13.17
- e. **Agent Report**: - [Agent Updated Board](#)
 - i. Empty food establishment buildings. Require Grease Traps Cleaning?
 - ii. Life Skills Training: training and SLRSD
 - iii. Hand Washing Sink. Deadline?
 - 1. [Health Agent updated the Board on the hand washing sink situation.](#)

A Motion was made to put Health Habits Nutrition on notice that a hand washing sink needs to be obtained within 30 days from notice of the Board of Health. The owner of Healthy Habits Nutrition is welcome to attend the April 05, 2017 Board of Health meeting to discuss any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

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

4. The Following to be signed:

- a. March 01, 2017 Permit Approvals need signature - [Board Signed](#)
- b. **Payroll for the Week Ending March 18, 2017** - [Board Signed](#)
 - i. Cathleen Drinan
 - ii. Margaret Selter
 - iii. Tracy Noland
- c. **Meeting Minutes**: - [Board Signed](#)
 - i. February 01, 2017 Meeting Minutes, J. DeLano Signature needed
 - ii. February 15, 2017 Meeting Minutes, J. DeLano Signature needed
- d. **Revolving Account# 25-513 – FY 17-15** - [Board Signed](#)
 - i. Spath Engineering – Invoice# 03517-743 – Plan Review – Map 84, Lot 6A-2 Palmer Mill Road - \$85.00
 - ii. Grady Consulting – Invoice# - Plan Review – 13 Dwight Street - \$85.00
- e. **iPad Gift Account# 26-514-4830-02 – FY 17-09** - [Board Signed](#)
 - i. Cathleen Drinan – iPad Usage Reimbursement for March, 2017 - \$14.99
- f. **Permits**: - [Board Approved](#)
 - i. Fieldstone Show Park – 2017 Large Outdoor Event Permit
 - ii. Park Restaurant Management Group LLC (Alden Park) – Walter Wunder – 2017 Mobile Food Permit, Fieldstone Show Park Horse Show Event

- iii. Bailey's Kool Kup – Peter Bailey - 2017 Mobile Food Permit, Fieldstone Show Park Horse Show Event
- iv. Pizza Kool Kup – Peter Bailey - 2017 Mobile Food Permit, Fieldstone Show Park Horse Show Event
- v. Steven E. Simmons – Earle F. Simmons So., Inc. - 2017 Septage Hauler's Permit - \$127.00
- vi. Jeremiah J. Richmond – Richmond Sand & Gravel, Inc. – 2017 Title V Inspector's Permit - \$127.00
- vii. Arthur Bloomquist - Arthur Bloomquist, LLC – 2017 Title V Inspector's Permit - \$127.00

A Motion was made to approve permit items# ii through vii and to “hold” permit item# i, Fieldstone Show Park, 2017 Large Outdoor Event permit until the matter of the well testing has been resolved. A memo stating the above will be sent to the Board of Selectmen.

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

g. Mail Folder:

i. Planning Board

- 1. 822 Old Plymouth Street – Ellis Auto Body
 - a. Please advise with any questions or comments.
 - b. Please also advise if there are no issues with your departments.
 - i. **The Board's only comment at this time is that if water is coming into the storage building, information regarding the septic system will need to be submitted to the Board of Health.**

Adjournment

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:30p.m.

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

Typed by,
 Peggy Selter
 Administrative Assistant

Signed By:
 John DeLano – Chairman
 John Weber – Co-Chairman
 Alan Dias – Clerk

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