

MARION BOARD OF HEALTH
Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Elizabeth S. Dunn, RN, Chairman
John B. Howard, MD, Vice Chairman
Jason E. Reynolds, Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Rick Charon, Charon Associates, Inc.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Reviewed correspondence

Discussion – Rick Charon, Charon Associates, Inc.

Public Hearing to discuss variance at 125 Cross Neck Road

Mr. Charon discussed the project and requested the following variance to Title 5 of the State Environmental Code: 310 CMR 15.212: Depth to Groundwater: To allow the depth to groundwater to be less than the four (4) foot requirement.

The Board reviewed the plan. Dr. Howard moved to approve the variance and Dr. Reynolds seconded. VOTE: 3-0-0

Discussion – Synthetic regulations

Mrs. Dunn updated Dr. Reynolds that Jon Witten said the Police Department would be responsible to do the regulations, not the Board of Health. Nothing has been done to date and she would like to do them. Dr. Howard asked if it would be banning the product completely as opposed to age limiting the product. Mrs. Dunn and Dr. Reynolds answered yes. Dr. Reynolds said according to Massachusetts General Laws, Boards of Health may make reasonable health regulations and he agrees to ban a product that's only use is abuse. They get around it by selling is as bath salts, incense, plant food, jewelry cleaner so we are banning the sale of these products because of how they are used. Dr. Howard said let's take a vote to do it. Mrs. Dunn said we will prepare the regulation for the next meeting and review it.

Discussion – Tick-borne diseases

Dr. Downey, Public Health Nurse, updated the Board with a presentation on tick-borne diseases, Lyme, Babesiosis, Anaplasmosis and Powassan. Powassan is viral and mimics EEE and there is no treatment for it. It's very quickly transmitted to humans, only needs to be on a person for 15 minutes. Anaplasmosis had an increase in 2015 and Babesiosis had a decrease.

Discussion – Public Health Nurse Contract

Mrs. Dunn asked the Board to authorize the sum of \$3,316.50 to be paid to Kathy Downey. In accordance with her contract it is compensation for an additional 110 hours of work as authorized by the Board of Health. VOTE: 3-0-0

In the future, Dr. Howard asked that overtime hours be discussed with the Board prior to the expenditure of the overtime hours for their discussion and approval and in the future that the request comes from the employee and not a member of the Board.

Discussion – G.A. F. Engineering, Inc. Public Hearing to discuss variance at 6 Tucker Lane
The hearing will be continued to July 12, 2016

Mrs. Dunn moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m. and Dr. Howard seconded.
VOTE: 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason E. Reynolds, MD, PhD, FAAP, Clerk

List of Items Submitted:

Letter regarding request for variance at 125 Cross Neck Road

Letter regarding request for variance at 6 Tucker Lane

Remote meeting participation policy

Memo regarding stormwater matters

Memo regarding fiscal year end & May monthly expense reports

Activity report thru June 8th

Memo from Health Director regarding proposed variances

Certified letter to Joseph Barboza, Jr., regarding 11 Oak Street

Draft meeting minutes of April 26 and May 24, 2016
