TOWN OF MILTON

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health Monday May 18, 2015 Milton Town Office Building, Baker Room

Attending:Anne T. Fidler, Sc. D., Chair
Laura T. Richards, Esq., Secretary
Roxanne Musto, RN-C, MS, ANP, Member
Caroline A. Kinsella, BSN, RN, Health Director and Public Health Nurse
Anthony Compagnone, M.D., Medical Advisor
Jean M. Peterson, Senior Administrative Assistant

Citizen Speak

There were no citizens present to address the Board.

1. Administrative Tasks

Chairman Fidler signed bills for payment. Meeting Minutes dated April 6th, April 13th and May 5th, 2015 were approved.

2. Emergency Preparedness Review

Lisa Kaufman, Emergency Preparedness Consultant, addressed the Board to explain the plans and procedures which are in place in the event of any type of emergency. She explained that there is a plan in place for various types of hazards and emergencies in all cities and towns in the state. She reviewed the public health binder which provides pertinent information in the event of an emergency. The binder, which is specifically prepared for each town and city, lists the responsibilities of the emergency response team. She spoke about the HHAN which is the Health Homeland Alert Network. She informed the Board that the binder should be updated annually. The Board agreed that conducting a tabletop exercise to prepare for a real emergency would be beneficial.

3. 395 Hillside Street

The Board received a letter dated May 13, 2015 from Marion McEttrick, attorney for homeowner Gerrold Rubin, stating the Conservation Commission's approval of the environmentally- friendly Presby System as the preferred method for upgrading the septic system at 395 Hillside Street. In her letter, she stated that the Conservation Commission approved this system with conditions which she outlined. Additionally, Ms. McEttrick stated that the decision of the Conservation Commission is also contingent upon final approval by the Board of Health of septic system plans signed and stamped by the project engineer, Jeff Kane. She stated that Jeff Kane has been in touch with Paul Brogna, the Board's septic consultant, and that he will submit his plans to Mr. Brogna by the end of the week.

4. Blue Hills Community Health Alliance (CHNA) MULTI-Year Grant

The Health Director informed the Board that she announced the awarding of the \$110,000 CHNA Grant at Town Meeting. Ms. Kinsella reviewed reporting requirements with the Board, stating that mid-year and final reports are required as well as quarterly meetings.

5. New Business:

Chairman Fidler provided the Board with follow-up information relative to a grant awarded to Boston University School of Public Health to fund graduate students in public health. She informed the Board that the Milton Board of Health will benefit from the Grant with the hiring of a student to work (320 hours) to start this summer . The student will work under the direction of Laurie Stillman. The Board was updated about the following: 1. Ms. Kinsella participated in and passed a 3-day housing course. 2. Ms. Kinsella spoke about the Grant which was awarded to the Town of Randolph for translators. She also informed the Board that a website, "Path to Health" is being created. 3. Ms. Kinsella informed the Board that she will send a Press Release to the Milton Times relative to mosquito control. 4. Ms. Kinsella contacted the top four applicants for the Health Agent position to inquire about their interest in the position. She stated that she received an e mail response from Stephen Bell. 5. The next Substance Abuse Coalition meeting is scheduled for May 27th at 7 p.m. at BID Milton and the Beth Israel Deaconess Community Walk is scheduled for June 13th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The Health Director also distributed literature on the Gavin Foundation which offers substance abuse treatment, education and prevention methods for 14-22 year olds.

6. Keeping of Animals Regulations

The Board discussed options for chicken regulations. Some ideas discussed were to (a) license chickens, (b) write separate regulations for chickens and (c) include a separate line for fowl on the animal regulations. Limiting the number of chickens that residents may keep was not favorable to the Board but the Board agreed to the idea of enforcing regulations. The Board decided to invite Animal Control Officer Nancy Bersani to the next meeting to advise them on the matter.

7. 3% Line Item Transfer

The Health Director stated that the Board may request 3% of the Department's salary (\$5,651) during the last two months of the year which can possibly be used for vaccine, septic consultant or other expenses. She also informed the Board that \$20,000 was approved for the Revolving Fund and that Town Meeting approved the Board of Health budget.

8. Appointment of Barbara Martin to Airplane Noise Advisory Committee

The Board unanimously approved Barbara Martin to Secretary of the Airplane Noise Advisory Committee, replacing Assistant Town Administrator Michael Blanchard. The Board of Selectman appointed Selectman David Burnes to the Committee as a new member.

9. Old Business – 1150 Canton Avenue

The Board requested that the Health Director inquire about the status of its request for three signed bids from the homeowner.

10. Next Meeting Date

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Baker Room.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura T. Richards, Esg.

Secretary