

TOWN OF MILTON
Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health
Monday, November 16, 2015, 7 p.m.
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
Anthony Compagnone, M.D., Medical Advisor
Caroline A. Kinsella, BSN, RN, Health Director and Public Health Nurse
Jean M. Peterson, Senior Administrative Assistant

1. Citizen Speak

There were no citizens present to address the Board.

2. Administrative Tasks

The Board approved the Minutes from the October 19, 2015 meeting. The Minutes from the October 26, 2015 meeting were approved as amended. Chairman Fidler signed one bill for payment.

3. 188 Hillside Street Request for Variance

Peter Lyons, Engineer with Collins Civil Engineering Group, addressed the Board of behalf of the company's Chief Engineer, George Collins. He informed the Board that Claire Jaeger applied for a local upgrade approval request for a septic system repair at 188 Hillside Street and Paul Brogna, the Board's septic consultant, determined her request to be reasonable. Mr. Lyons stated that Mr. Brogna advised the Board to approve the variance request based on the conditions presented to the Health Director. The Board approved the variance request contingent upon Mr. Brogna's conditions.

4. 45 Woodland Road Request for Variance

The applicants for the variance request did not attend the Board meeting. The Health Director informed the Board that it is possible that the applicants decided to connect to Town sewer.

5. CHNA grant funding and Milton Woman's Club grant

Health Director Kinsella provided an update to the Board relative to CHNA grant funding and the Coalition's grant application to the Milton Women's Club requesting funds to further support the efforts of the MSAPC. She began by informing the Board that Laurie Stillman has provided about 200 hours of consulting work for the Coalition thus far and that there are no additional funds available from the CHNA Grant. Ms. Kinsella informed the Board that the Milton Women's Club is offering a Grant to support the efforts of projects committed to civic, community and educational purposes and invited the MSAPC to apply for funding to support its mission. She provided the Board with copies of the letter and application which she submitted to the Milton Women's Club on behalf of the MSAPC, requesting a grant in the amount of \$10,000. She stated that these funds will support the MSAPC with expenses such as a grantwriter and an attorney, to assist in applying for 501C3 nonprofit status.

6. Discussion of ANAC goals and objectives

The Board discussed at length and made revisions to the list of goals and objectives of the ANAC. They discussed the numerous letters of concern which the Town has written to politicians at the local and state

level as well as to officials from Massport and the FAA regarding the negative effects of increased air traffic over the Town of Milton. The Board also discussed its joint role with the Board of Selectmen and the ANAC and decided unanimously that their proper role was about focusing on the health aspects of the ANAC. Therefore, attending the November 23rd meeting was not necessary. The Board discussed the ANAC resignations of Board Member, Roxanne Musto and Health Director, Caroline Kinsella. Additionally, they discussed their concerns about the overall composition of the ANAC as well as future goals and objectives as stated in their letter to the Board of Selectmen dated October 30, 2015. The Board has also decided to postpone any ANAC appointments.

7. Discussion of recent Personnel Board meeting

The Health Director informed the Board that she attended the Personnel Board meeting in an effort to propose a reorganization of the Health Department in fiscal year 2017. For comparison purposes, she provided a chart showing the number of employees staffed in the health departments of 14 local towns. The Personnel Board agreed to her proposal to combine the 25 hour/week Health Inspector position with the 22.5 Health Agent position to make one full-time Health Agent position. The Personnel Board did not respond as favorably to the Health Director's request for the creation of a new part-time, 16 hour public Health Nurse. Ms. Kinsella explained that in her role as Health Director, she has many additional duties, including those which have evolved from the various grants and the airplane noise issue, thus reducing time for her to focus on public health nursing duties. She also pointed out that combining the two part-time, hour positions results in a 10-hour staff person reduction. Member Musto asked about the possibility of using monies from the revolving fund to staff a part-time nurse. Chairman Fidler suggested the possibility of "regionalizing", or, for example, sharing a nurse from the City of Quincy. Ms. Kinsella stated that the Personnel Board expressed that they feel there is more "seasonal" work for staffing a part-time nurse as opposed to "everyday" work, therefore not justifying the need for the request. Ms. Kinsella stated that Assistant Town Administrator suggested that she return to the Personnel Board to make an additional request for the part-time nurse.

8. Old Business

374 Brook Road, hoarding case: Health Director Kinsella informed the Board that an additional dumpster will be arriving at 374 Brook Road to the home of Peter Walsh in the on-going effort to assist him with his clean-up efforts.

9. New Business

The Health Director informed the Board of a rat infestation at the East Milton deck. She stated that she has been in communications with the DPW Director who has stated that his department will not be handling the issue. The Board discussed the fact that there is not a budget line item for paying for exterminating treatments, which cost between \$800 - \$1000. Ms. Kinsella stated that she will discuss the matter further with the Town Administrator.

10. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date is scheduled for December 14th at 7 p.m. in the Baker Room.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.

Laura T. Richards, Esq.
Secretary

