

**MINUTES**  
**STURBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**  
**Monday, April 22, 2013**

Meeting called to order 7 pm.

Present: Members: Linda Cocalis, Dan Chaput, Richard Volpe. Health Agent Alyssa Rusiecki.

Appointment of water sampler for beaches: The Board reviewed the proposal from the applicant Tom Baltazar. Mr. Baltazar conducts this task for the Town of Holland and he used to be a member of the Holland Board of Health. Mr. Chaput asks about the geometric mean, as cited in the regulations; the Agent states that she has not used that protocol because the samples usually pass the criteria. Ms. Cocalis makes a motion to appoint Mr. Baltazar as the town beach water sampler, with funding to be paid by the applicants through the revolving account. Mr. Chaput seconds the motion. APPROVED (3 – 0).

Appointment of animal inspector: The Board has the renewal paperwork from the Department of Agriculture for Board of Health appointment of Animal Inspector. Ms. Cocalis makes a motion to re-appoint Ron Komar as the Animal Inspector; Mr. Chaput seconds the motion. APPROVED (3 – 0).

Information submitted by Mr. Thomas and Jacqueline Giguere of 92 South Shore Rd. complaining about 35 South Shore Rd. and owners Mr. and Mrs. Seguin. Mr. Giguere came to tonight's meeting and he was told that the Board of Health would discuss his letter/complaint submitted, but that the Board of Health had to meet with the Board of Selectmen on another matter and that he could wait or come back in a half an hour or so.

The Board of Health meets with the Board of Selectmen for a budgetary follow-up; the appearance is to answer questions regarding the Board of Health proposal to obtain expanded nursing services by using part of the Community Health budget line as well as using an existing grant and \$5,000 from their revolving account. The proposal is have a combined total of \$20,000 for available usage from the revolving account, including but not limited to using it for additional services such as communicable disease follow-up; health related inspections; emergency management health planning; and health information dissemination. There is discussion regarding whether an independent nurse would have the accumulated skills to conduct this work at a lower rate of pay than what the Board of Health is currently being charged; the Chair and Agent state that currently there is work being done at the lower rate for functions such as the tattoo festival. There is discussion regarding whether the nurse would have their own insurance; Selectman Dowling wants the person to have insurance. The Board of Selectman agree to support the proposal to use funding from the revolving account.

The Board of Health returns to its regularly scheduled meeting. No one is waiting to speak with the Board.

The Agent discusses her report; reviewing old business. Hyland Orchard appears to be holding outside events despite not being permitted by the Board of Health. The Host Hotel spa testing

schedule has been decreased to one time per month for bacteriological testing. Chemical testing is still required four times per day per State Code for both the pool and the spa.

Letter submitted by Thomas and Jacqueline Giguere of 92 South Shore Rd. complaining about 35 South Shore Rd. and owners Mr. and Mrs. Seguin. The Giguere letter complains that the Seguin septic system is failing. The Chairman provides a letter from Attorney Peter Feuerbach on behalf of clients' the Seguins. The Feuerbach letter states that there are no factual or legal basis to the complaints relative to the Seguin septic system and water quality. The Chairman explains that there has been an on-going neighborhood battle and that there is current litigation involving neighbor versus neighbor. Based on the fact that no septic failure criteria has been met and that there is current private litigation occurring, the Chairman makes a motion to take no action on the complaint of the Giguere against the Seguins, Mr. Chaput seconds. APPROVED (3-0) to take no action.

New Business: Existing and new fees are reviewed; the same fees that DEP uses for Title 5 are approved, typography adjusted. New fees will be published.

The Board reviews the CME landfill report; the Agent states that she asked the engineer for a proposal to conduct a cost benefit analysis of the landfill operations. The response from Wayne Bugden, (from CME), was that there are more criteria needed to prepare a proposal. The same shall be discussed with Town Administrator Suhoski. The Agent shall set up a meeting with the Chair, Town Administrator and the DPW Director.

The Board re-organized; Mrs. Cocalis shall remain Chair. Mr. Chaput shall remain Vice Chair; APPROVED (3 – 0).

No there was no further pending business prior to adjournment.

Adjourned 10:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alyssa Rusiecki  
Health Agent