

MINUTES
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Friday, September 27th, 2013 5:30pm

Members present: Linda Cocalis, Richard Volpe, and Daniel Chaput arriving at 5:43pm.
Health Agent Alyssa Rusiecki.

The meeting is called to order at 5:30 pm. Mr. Chaput has not yet arrived. Ms. Cocalis and Mr. Volpe discuss Ms. Pollender's rate of pay at \$24.43/hr. as approved by the Grading process at the Personnel Board and by the Town Administrator. The Board will wait for Mr. Chaput to ratify this rate.

There is discussion that Brian Towns, Hazmat Chemist, is also now working full-time for the Fire Department and his six hours a month spent at the Hazmat Collection Center now puts his status as overtime. Ms. Cocalis instructs the Agent to ask the Town Administrator to ask the Selectmen to vote Mr. Towns' status as a special employee, and to copy Mr. Creamer on the email.

Discussion is begun regarding **46 Breakneck Rd** septic upgrade and then put in abeyance.

Mr. Chaput arrives at 5:43pm.

Appointment: Kate Pollender – Public Health Inspector

Ms. Cocalis makes a motion to appoint Kate Pollender as part-time public health inspector, with a starting rate of \$24.43/hr. Mr. Volpe seconds, APPROVED (3 – 0).

Agent's Report:

Special Conditions for Installation of the septic systems known as Bottomless Sand Filters, BSFs or Recirculating Sand Filters, (RSFs).

There is discussion that these can be superior treatment devices for on-site wastewater, but the installations may be challenging to installers who have never constructed one before. The Agent suggests, that in addition to required training at the University of Rhode Island, that the installer's first installation be mentored or supervised by a consulting installer, who has installed one either in MA or RI, (as the regulations are the same in both states). Mr. Chaput makes a motion, that in addition to taking the required training at URI, the installer of these systems must either prove prior experience or sub-contract an associate who has installed at least one of these systems successfully in this or another jurisdiction. Additionally, the said sub-contractor is subject to approval of the Health Agent. Mr. Volpe seconds, APPROVED (3 – 0).

Old Business

- **Hyland's Orchards unpermitted food event on September 7th, 2013:** An enforcement letter should be written as no events are allowed. Ms. Cocalis states that someone else is taking over the brewery.
- **Veritas "function hall"** – BoS gave them approval but there is a problem using the Building #2, which is unpermitted. Owner can't use building; however they have a wedding booked on October 5th. The Veritas owners are researching using a tent, to be permitted through Building Dept. /Fire Dept.
- **Invoice Harrington Preventive Health Care** – one TB case exceeded \$1,000. Mr. Chaput would like to have the bill paid immediately; the Agent would like to follow-up with one of the State regional nurses prior to payment. The matter is put in abeyance until the regional nurse is consulted.

New Business

- **46 Breakneck Rd., dissenting Title 5 Report** The Agent reviews the first failing Title 5 report, extenuating circumstances that may have contributed to the conditions, the second dissenting Title 5 report, and the groundwater evaluation which was also done recently. The Agent recommends reviewing the groundwater again in the spring of 2014 and making a final determination at that time. Ms. Cocalis makes a motion to approve the dissenting Title 5 report with conditions, Mr. Chaput seconds. APPROVED (3 – 0).

The meeting is adjourned at 6:48pm

Reviewed: 5-22-14
Approved: (2 – 0) LC RV

