

MINUTES
STURBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH
January 5, 2015

Present: Linda Cocalis, Sandra Fallon, and Richard Volpe, members.
Alyssa Rusiecki, Health Agent.

Meeting called to order: Chairman Linda Cocalis called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Agent's Report:

Region2 update: The Emergency management public health radios have been re-banded and updated for our use at potential EDS sites and other public health exercises and emergencies. Linda asks whether the radios are set on the same channel as the Police Department channels. Alyssa will inquire.

Recycling Center/Landfill update: Alyssa attended the Central Massachusetts Recycling Council Annual Awards Luncheon at which Sturbridge was awarded four awards for excellence in Recycling. Regarding the third-party inspections, Alyssa will continue to work with Frank Postma, the engineering consultant who conducts these inspections.

Additional updates: Asbestos, DEP draft regulations, under review.

Administration: The Special Town Meeting will take place, (1/26) at Tantasqua High School. The Board of Health budgets are level-funded and the only request was for more hours to make the inspector full-time. Linda asks when the Betterment meeting will take place, Alyssa will inquire.

Old Business:

181 Shepard Road:

Anonymous complaint. Linda stated that she received a complaint that there is a dog tied up outside in the cold. The complainant wanted to know if there is a failed septic system. Linda said it is still ongoing in court, and she said that Mr. Helgerson went out to do an observation but not with a Board of Health witness and not with a Soil Evaluator, as was required by the Court. Linda states that at future meeting we can go into Executive Session. Richard Volpe stated that when Jeff Helgerson made his observation, it was dry. Linda said it was still up in the air, but doesn't know if judge did anything regarding trash. Linda stated that there should be some Zoning changes regarding trash and accumulation of eyesores.

There is discussion regarding potential rodents and the number of unregistered vehicles on the property. Linda said to refer the number of vehicle issue to Nelson, the Building Inspector.

31 South Shore Road

No new information. Linda was copied on whether Town Counsel can be served on behalf of the Board of Health.

Draft Changes to Local Septic Regulations

Linda state that all red notations reflect new changes. Alyssa reviews the changes. The review will continue at a future meeting.

New Business:

Correspondence is reviewed.

Schedule reviewed and approved:

Vacation day approved for Monday, Jan. 12, 2015

CareerTrack Workshop: Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2015

Board of Health meeting: Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015, 5:00 pm

Special Town Meeting: Monday, Jan. 26, 2015, 7:00 pm

Board of Health meeting: Monday, Feb. 2 at 5:00 pm

Hearing, septic regulations, Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2015, 7:00 pm

Minutes Review:

Minutes review: December 1st 2015, minutes approved with changes. December 8th 2015, minutes, Linda motioned to accept minutes, Sandra Fallon seconded. Minutes approved (3-0).

Motion to adjourn meeting was made and seconded; approved (3-0).

Adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Alyssa Rusiecki, Health Agent

Reviewed by: _LC, SF_
Approval date: 4-06-2015