

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m., by Chairman, Al Holman. Also in attendance were; Member, Richard Desjardins; Member, Richard Robinson; and Asst. Public Health Supervisor, Diane Tiernan.

Minutes were reviewed.

Motion one – Richard D., made a motion to approve of the meeting minutes from the previous meeting held on 7/24/14. Richard R. seconded the motion and Al made the motion unanimous. Minutes were approved.

Vouchers were reviewed and signed.

Vacations were approved for Diane and Trish.

A septic design was reviewed for 14 Picadilly Street, Ralf Kleinwaechter.

Motion two – Richard R. made a motion to approve of the design and Richard D. seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Plan was approved.

7:16 p.m., Verna Kosiba came tonight to discuss the noise of the pellet plant at the rail yard. Verna stated the noise is very loud and is now occurring in the middle of the night. She is looking for a copy of the documentation we have pertaining to the sound readings we have taken. Richard D. stated he has taken several readings of the noise, he works for the people not the plant. Verna stated the readings they (neighbors) took with their own equipment show a closer count then the BOH readings do. She understands the violation has to do with the readings. Richard D. stated he does not have a copy of the current readings. They were taking as an observation only to see if they were above the required limit. Verna asked if there was no documentation. Richard stated no, not current. The paperwork was completed a few months ago and verified by DEP. Since then, we have only done spot checks of the noise. Al stated our policy is to perform no more than quarterly readings unless there is a problem. We can issue you a copy of the readings we have if you'd like.

Verna stated she was simply thinking she could be a mediator. "If I have a comfort level, I can express that to someone else". Al suggested we could ask DEP to come out again and do some more readings. Verna stated she likes to hear both sides of things and is looking for a way to obtain information and see the readings. Richard D. stated if the readings were above the allowed limit, he would have informed his co-members and Diane. Al stated the noise regulations are a statement of what the law is, the RR is pre-empted. Verna stated she didn't want to get into that, that's not the issue. She is just looking for documentation for the sound readings. Al asked Verna what her address is in location to the rail yard. Verna stated 6 Railroad Avenue. Verna stated again, she did not want to be adversarial; she's just looking for documentation. Richard R. stated even if the sound was way over, there is nothing the BOH can do about it. Richard D. stated he accompanied OSHA on an inspection of the plant, and it was deemed a trans loading area of the rail yard, the operation process is very clean, no dust was present.

7:32 p.m., Verna thanked the Board and left.

A septic repair permit for 12 Milford Street was reviewed. The repair required the installation of a second tank for the chemicals to be used at the salon.

Motion three – Richard R. made a motion to approve of the permit and Richard D. seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Permit was approved.

Tobacco permit applications were reviewed for: Honey Farms, Country Club Sooper, Cigarbox, Getty, Liquor Plus, and Gasco.

Motion four – Richard D. made a motion to approve of the applications and Richard R. seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Permits were approved.

Board discussed updated training be made available to all the establishments who sell tobacco products. Gasco received a second violation for selling to minors.

D-box repair permits for 26 East Street – Rose Marie Searles and 23 Mechanic Street - Tim Elmes were reviewed.

Motion five - Richard R. made a motion to approve of the permits and Richard D. seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Permits were approved.

A request for an Installers permit for Iacovelli Exc. and Construction of Northbridge, MA was reviewed.

Motion six - Richard R. made a motion to approve of the permit and Richard D. seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Permit was approved.

A request to the Planning Board for a large lot frontage reduction was reviewed for Michael Conneaney, Mendon Street. Board has no comments on the request at this time.

Board reviewed the request from the Conservation Commission for additional beaver trapping at Southboro Road. Diane stated that the DPW director informed her that they had no issues with a high water table or any other problems with Southboro Road at this time. Board stated that since there are no public health issues in the area, they do not see the need to issue another trapping permit. Diane was asked to notify the Conservation Commission that this request is not in the BOH's purview and therefore deny the permit.

Diane stated that she had a request for a dog grooming operation to be located on Main Street. Diane told the groomer she was not aware of any regulations under the BOH that would pertain to such a business, as long as he contacts the Code Enforcement office and the selectmen, otherwise she would advise the ACO that it exists. Board agreed that no action needed to be taken by the BOH.

Board discussed posting a deadline for dog licenses of November 1st. Notification should be in the local newspaper advising all dog owners.

Motion seven – Richard D. made a motion to adjourn and Richard R. seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous.

8:07 p.m., meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Tiernan, Asst. Public Health Supervisor