

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m., by Chairman, Al Holman. Also in attendance were; Member, Richard Desjardins; Member, Richard Robinson; and Asst. Public Health Supervisor, Diane Tiernan.

Motion one – Richard R. made a motion to approve of the meeting minutes from 1/8/15. Richard D. seconded the motion and Al made the motion unanimous. Minutes were approved.

Vouchers were reviewed and signed.

Motion two - Al stated he believes that the BOH needs to start inspecting salons and spas. We need to look into who would do it and if we have to adopt a bylaw. Richard R. and Richard D. seconded the motion to pursue the issue.

Board reviewed again the final version of the statement addressing the position of the BOH and the Selectmen pertaining to the G/U railroad and pellet plant

Motion three – Richard Desjardins made a motion to accept the final version of the statement. Richard R. seconded the motion and Al made the motion unanimous. Motion was approved.

Garbage and offal permits for Uptown trucking of Douglas and El Harvey of Westboro were reviewed.

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

Draft of Upton's Animal control bylaw was reviewed. Al would like to change the regulation to owners over 65 be allowed to license their dog at no charge. Currently the proposal is 70.

All Board members agreed that dogs may be allowed at the beach during the off season, subject to the owners cleaning up after the dog. Board also discussed allowing the Selectmen to take over the animal control position. Richard D. stated that may not be possible when the BOH is mandated to enforce the barn inspections and nuisance regulations.

Richard D. stated he would like to discuss the issue of coverage in the office when the staff is using vacation or sick time. Right now the staff has a lot of vacation time, we need to have coverage. It's nice to have all the offices in the town hall open at one time. If we had a pool of people we could hire someone to fill in. Richard R. stated even when one is out; the office is open at least part time with the remaining staff. Richard D. did not feel that was enough. There is someone that is willing to fill in that currently works for the CPC. Richard R. stated that person may not have the ability to do what Diane and Trish do. Richard D. stated that's okay, she could sell bags, take notes and answer phones. Richard R. did not feel we should be spending money just to have a warm body in the chair. Richard D. stated a lot of staff in town have the same problem, its worth looking into it. Board agreed to investigate the option of part time help.

A septic repair design for 12 Shore Drive, Janet MacBeth and Janet Gardner was reviewed.

Motion five – Richard D. made a motion to approve of the plan and Richard R. seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Plan was approved. As paperwork was not submitted, a member will sign the actual permit once it has been submitted.

A revised draft of the nuisance regulations was reviewed and discussed.

Motion six– Richard R. made a motion to approve of the draft of the nuisance regulation. Richard D. seconded the motion and Al made the motion unanimous.

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

8:01 meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Tiernan, Asst. Public Health Supervisor

Exhibits used during this meeting:

- *G/U Railroad Statement*
- *Animal Control Regulation draft*
- *Septic Repair Design for 12 Shore Drive*
- *Nuisance Regulation Draft*