

## **MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

Date of Meeting: September 21, 2022  
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### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRWOMAN**

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Amy Wiegandt, M.D., Chairwoman  
Lawrence Perry, Member  
Catherine Phinney, R.N., Member  
Kathleen Waldron, Associate Member  
Jean Connaughton, Associate Member

Also Present: Patrick MacDonald, Director  
Samantha Monast, Department Assistant  
Elias Estevez, Health Inspector

### **3. Regulation Review- Rental Property**

Patrick explains there are a couple sections in these regulations that we do not need, are repetitive, or doesn't make sense which is why we are reviewing them.

Dr. Wiegandt questions #3, do we really use this regulation? Who do we provide the copies of regulations too? She also explains how the shorter and cleaner the reg's are the better off we will be.

Patrick agreed that we do not need that regulation and it should be removed.

Dr. Wiegandt questions #3F- do we really need that definition? It can be removed.

Mr. Perry questions #2C- should it state (CMR III. Section 31)?

Patrick confirms this does not have to be there and can be removed completely.

Ms. Phinney states how we can't shorten it too much or people will not understand it.

Patrick explains how anyone renting has their landlord's number so #6 doesn't necessarily need to be a regulation anymore. Dr. Wiegandt agreed.

Mr. Perry questions if these regulations excludes hotels/motels and says how we should add that so people are aware to see hotel/motel rules reg's.

Dr. Wiegandt agrees we should have a rental definition so no one gets confused that hotel/motels are the same regulations.

Dr. Wiegandt explains how the problems with air bnb's is that people are renting them out to parties of 50 people who are causing a problem for the people around them. Which is why town rules should be put into place so this doesn't continuously happen.

Patrick states how we have a place that has this issue.

Dr. Wiegandt questions what we can add in the regulations to fix this problem

Mr. Perry states that we should add a section explaining that no rented property should be utilized outside of its intended use.

Patrick and Dr. Wiegandt agreed with how Mr. Perry worded this rule and it will be added to the reg's.

Mr. Perry questions if we have specific form for registration of rental properties and if it has names, addresses, and telephones on it do we really need #7?

Patrick explains how we do have an online form with this information on it so #7 can definitely be removed.

Mr. Perry asks if smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms if those are already in housing code and fire code.

Patrick confirms this regulation is in both of those codes so it can be removed.

Ms. Waldron questions whether #11 needs the last sentence in the first paragraph.

Dr. Wiegandt explains how we check these things during inspection anyways so the sentence about carbon monoxide and smoke detectors can be deleted.

Dr. Wiegandt states how #12 and #13 can be combined and shortened so #12 should be removed. She also goes on to say how #13B doesn't make complete sense.

Patrick explains how we can update this section with the 40U law, which is the section of the state code that allows you to set local hearings and fines.

#### **4. HEALTH AGENT'S REPORT**

Patrick MacDonald read the Agent's report into the record, a copy of which is attached.

#### **5. COVID-19 UPDATE**

Dr. Wiegandt states that there is a new vaccine out and she encourages everyone to get it since there is still a high amount of covid cases going around.

Mr. Perry asks how long after your booster should you wait before getting another vaccine and Dr. Wiegandt explains how most people wait 2 months but it is not mandatory.

#### **6. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No Announcements

#### **7. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Approval of meeting minutes: August 17, 2022

**MOTION:** Ms. Waldron moved to approve the meeting minutes August 17, 2022

**VOTE: 5-0 (Unanimous)**

#### **8. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Ms. Waldron moved to adjourn at 6:15pm. Mr. Perry seconded.

**VOTE: 5-0 (Unanimous)**

Respectfully submitted  
***Samantha Monast***  
Department Assistant

The foregoing minutes were submitted to the Board of Health on:

Attest: *Catherine Phissey* Date Signed: *10/5/2022*