

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Date of Meeting: October 04, 2023
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER BY CHAIRWOMAN

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Amy Wiegandt, M.D., Chairwoman
Jilian Morton, Member
Patrick Tropeano, Member
Jean Connaughton, Associate Member
Lawrence Perry, Associate Member

Also Present: Patrick MacDonald, Director
Samantha Monast, Department Assistant

Not Present: Elias Estevez, Health Inspector

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON SAMPLE REDUCTION FOR 18 BLISSFUL LANE

Mr. MacDonald explained that 18 Blissful Lane is definitely a summer home because the utility bills clearly show the peak usage is from July-September. He also explained that the samples that were taken over the last few years have been clean nitrogen samples. During a group discussion the Board Members agreed to grant the sample reduction to once per year.

MOTION: Mr. Tropeano made a motion to grant the sample reduction down to once per year for 18 Blissful Lane. Ms. Morton seconded. Roll call: Mr. Tropeano-yes, Ms. Morton-yes, Dr. Wiegandt-yes.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON SAMPLE REDUCTION FOR 3 POND VIEW TERR.

During a group discussion the Board Members read the Sample Report history which had all good nitrogen samples back to 2018, they had no issue with reducing the samples.

MOTION: Ms. Morton made a motion to grant the sample reduction down to one per year for 3 Pond View Terr. Mr. Tropeano seconded. Roll call: Ms. Morton-yes, Mr. Tropeano-yes, Dr. Wiegandt-yes.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON CHANGE OF TOBACCO REGULATIONS

During a group discussion between Ms. McColgan, Tobacco Control Program Director, and the Board members, they continued to discuss the changes to the Town Regulations that could be brought to a public hearing at a later date. Ms. McColgan explained the fining structure comparison in local communities which helped the Board Members make the decision on having unified fining, the same fining system as the State Regulations. Ms. Morton voiced her concern on changing the permit cap but Ms. McColgan explained how advanced cap works and the Board agreed on this change as well. Ms. McColgan planned on revising the Regulations with all of the changes made over the last few meetings and will bring it back to the Board at the next meeting for further discussion.

6. HEALTH AGENT'S REPORT

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

7. INFECTION DISEASE REPORT

Dr. Wiegandt explained that covid cases are still occurring which means getting the new vaccine and wearing a mask is highly recommended

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements at this time.

9. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES-SEPTEMBER 20TH

No discussion or vote at this time.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS NOT ANTICIPATED 48 HOURS BEFORE MEETING

No other business at this time.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Tropeano moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Morton seconded. Roll call: Mr. Tropeano-yes, Ms. Morton-yes, Dr. Wiegandt-yes.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

Respectfully submitted

Samantha Monast

Department Assistant

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

Attest: 

Date Signed: 11/1/2023

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AND/OR USED IN MEETING

1. Tobacco Regulations
2. Fining Structure Comparison Sheet
3. Health Agents Report
4. September 6th meeting minutes