

**BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES OF MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2017**

PRESENT: Amy Wiegandt, M.D., Chairman
Catherine Phinney, Member
Thomas L. Gleason, M.D., Associate Member
Robert M. Ethier, Director

Patrick MacDonald, Inspector
Suzanne Burke, Recording Secretary

EXCUSED: Glenn M. Monterio, Member

Chairman Wiegandt called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on the Third Floor, Wareham Town Hall, Rm. 27.

Catherine Phinney made a motion to move Dr. Thomas Gleason up to a full member for voting in the absence of Member Glenn Monterio. All in favor.

4:00 p.m. Signing of Minutes

The minutes of August 16, 2017 were read and accepted.

On a motion of Catherine Phinney and seconded by Dr. Wiegandt the minutes were accepted. All in favor.

4:05 p.m. 23 White Pine Avenue- Gary Russell, Gateway Survey Assoc.

Mr. Gary Russell, P.E. of Gateway Survey appeared before the board with the following variance requests from 310 CMR 15.000 and Wareham Board of Health Regulations.

310 CMR 15.104 Percolation Testing

Required: At least one percolation test shall be performed in every disposal area

Provided: A sieve analysis was performed as per 310 CMR 15.405 (1)(i)

310 CMR 15.211 Minimum Setback Distances.

Required: Soil Absorption System to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands 50'.

Provided: 12' of separation between the SAS and the BVW as well as a proposed Micro Fast system

310 CMR 15.211 Minimum Setback Distances

Required: Soil Absorption System to Property Line 10'

Provided: 6' of separation between the SAS and the Property Line to maintain 100' from a potable well.

On a motion of Catherine Phinney and seconded by Dr. Gleason the variances were granted. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS-

1. **Animal Regulations-** The board reviewed the animal regulations. Dr. Wiegandt requested to receive a copy of the town's regulations. The board will continue to review and update at the September 20th meeting.

Old Business- Chair, Dr. Wiegandt stopped the discussion for the 4:30 p.m. hearing. Discussion will continue following the scheduled hearings.

4:30 p.m. Village Motel, 2739 Cranberry Highway—Discussion

Mr. Melanson appeared before the board on August 2nd due to violations of BOH local regulation, Section 3- Lodging Motels, Item 5: Every person who owns, manages or operates a motel shall maintain an up-to date guest register containing each guest name, permanent residence address, date of registration and duration of stay. Such register shall be made available for inspection to the Board of Health, its agent, or a police officer. And Items 6-: Occupancy of a guest unit shall be limited to over-night accommodations for transient motorists and shall not be occupied as a principal place of residence. Occupancy of a motel guest unit by a person at the same licensed premises shall be limited to three weeks. After in-depth discussion, Dr. Wiegandt stated if the property owner does not follow the required regulations, fines will be imposed. Another copy of the motel regulations were handed to Mr. Melanson and a certified letter was sent to Mr. Melanson highlighting the regulations. Mr. Melanson was directed to draw up a plan of action in order to meet compliance and appear before the board on September 6th.

Mr. Melanson appeared before the board without a plan of action. He stated his guests were still in the motel and he was still in the process of converting over to condo/apartment living and is waiting on a response from his attorney. Mr. Ethier reported the motel is not complying with the regulations and the motel is still lacking daily housekeeping. Mr. Ethier stated before contacting the attorney, Mr. Melanson must go directly to the Department of Inspectional Services and inquire if a conversion to condos can be done. Dr. Wiegandt again warned about meeting compliance and requested Mr. Melanson report back in two weeks with a plan of action or a fine will be levied. Dr. Thomas Gleason reminded Mr. Melanson that until the plan of action is submitted and followed thru, he as the owner of the motel is still now subject to comply with the motel regulations. Mr. Ethier discussed the five week stay and the submittal of the register to the office of Board of Health. Dr. Wiegandt requested Mr. Melanson contact Mr. Ethier or Mr. MacDonald at the office for further information.

The board directed Mr. Melanson to appear on September 20th @ 4:30 p.m. with a plan of action or fines will be issued.

4:35 p.m. Rosewood Motel, 3115 Cranberry Highway- Discussion

The board requested Rosewood Motel to appear for discussion regarding the Motel Rules & Regulations. Mr. Nelesh Patel and his son appeared before the board. Mr. Nelesh told the board he is trying to improve the cliental and is working on renovations. Mr. Ethier stated Mr. Patel has done a wonderful job in the cleanup of the motel. During the last inspection, Mr. Ethier observed guests staying longer than the intention of the regulations. Mr. Patel requested more time for his guests to move out. Dr. Wiegandt reviewed the regulation change to the five week period and reviewed the procedure of extensions. Mr. Patel stated they have been very diligent and are trying to move in the right direction to upgrade the motel. His goal is to rent daily and get away from long term rentals. Mr. Patel discussed the winter months and extending the stay for guests. Dr. Wiegandt directed him to have his guest write a letter as to why an extension of stay is necessary and submit to the office. Dr. Gleason stated the board will then review and either approve or deny the request. Mr. Patel thanked the board and guaranteed they will contact the board with any further questions and will comply with the rules and regulations.

HEALTH AGENTS REPORT- See attached.

OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED

2. **Draft Lodging Regulations-** Regulations were updated and approved.
3. **Smoking Regulations-** Mr. Ethier will be in contact with Bourne and request to meet later in the season.
4. **Hazardous Waste Regulation Update-** Hazardous Waste review will be placed on a future agenda.
5. **Input- Master Plan Update/ Ken Buckland- Planning-** Mr. Buckland will be invited to attend the September 20th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS-

1. Member Catherine Phinney will be on vacation September 20th and October 4, 2017. Mrs. Phinney will be present at the October 18th meeting.
2. Associate Member- seat is still available.
3. Mr. Ethier will be attending the Emergency Dispensing meeting on September 28th and will send the members the minutes of the meeting.

4. Mr. Ethier and Mr. MacDonald will be trained for medical reporting. (MAVEN)

Catherine Phinney made a motion to close the meeting at 6:14 p.m. Seconded by Dr. Gleason. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted: Suzanne Burke, September 19, 2017

Signed and dated: 9/20/17

Amy Wiegandt
Amy Wiegandt, M.D, Chairman

Catherine Phinney, R.N., Member

Thomas L. Gleason MD
Thomas L. Gleason, M.D., Member

HEALTH AGENT'S REPORT

September 6, 2017

Last Meeting, August 16, 2017

BOARD OF HEALTH STATUS REPORT

TITLE 5 REVIEW AND VARIANCES

- (6) Conventional Title 5 upgrades
- (3) Alternative systems

PERCOLATION TESTS

- (4)

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- (0)

INSPECTIONS

Restaurant inspections completed for 2017.

BEACH WATER SAMPLING PROGRAM

Beach Water sampling season began May 30, 2017.

DPH intern Cydney Stienhauer began on May 30.

No Closures, some retests.

Beach water testing season ended on August 29, 2017

COURT CASES

- (2) cases, Ordered to pay by September 30, 2017

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE RESIGNED
FIRST ROUND OF INTERVIEWS TOOK PLACE LAST WEEK.

READVERTISED ON PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE WEBSITE
BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

DISEASE REPORTING

Case of Legionella
Case of Campylobacter

PLYMOUTH COUNTY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COALITION

July 18, 2017 - Attended meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Rental Housing Program – Registration for 2017 ongoing.
1180 private homes, 795 inspected
630 apartments, 627 inspected

Total revenue = \$104,025
Fines for non-compliance = \$4725

NEW BUSINESS

Robert M. Ethier, Director of Public Health
Wareham Board of Health
RME