

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

DATE: June 14, 2021

Place: Remote Participation via Zoom ID#: 983 414 9518

Present: Ms. Rock, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Kushi; C. Bennett, Inspector: Mr. Ball

Absent: Ms. McNeely

Mr. Kushi Motion to open the meeting at 6:03PM, Second Ms. Rock, Vote 3-0.

APPOINTMENTS - None

MINUTES: Mr. Bennett move to accept minutes of 5/17/2021 as presented, Ms. Rock second, Vote 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS – None

HOUSING HEALTH AGENT UPDATE:

- Update provided from April 27 through June 14, 2021.
- 93 Plumtree Road records requested and responded by the Police Chief. Ms. Rock recommends upon serious health or serious threat, agents always attend with Police response together for housing inspections. Property owner has been cooperative.

HEALTH AGENT UPDATE

- Agent will assist with animal bite quarantine matters while Animal Control/Animal Inspector position is filled/restructured. Board of Health Agent does not feel qualified to perform Animal Inspector duties as a permanent solution.
- Septic and soil inspections have been active .
- Private/Semi-Private Pool Inspections for this year and gone well – both properties have experienced operators. Due to the State lifting COVID Emergency Orders, regulations have changed since last year, however, both sites have elected to keep many of the protocols in place. Agent requested the Board rescind Pool Restrictions put into place last year due to COVID since numbers are low and State of Emergency was lifted. Mr. Bennett motion to rescind Pool Restrictions put in place 202, Ms. Rock second, Vote 3-0.
- Food Inspections are starting.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE UPDATE

- No new COVID cases were found on MAVEN reporting.

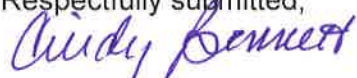
NEW BUSINESS

- FY22 Employment Agreements and Contract renewals for Health Agent, Housing Health Agent and Public Health Nurse. The Board proposes a 2% COLA, which is the same the town has approved for town employees and includes the Board of Health Secretary. Ms. Rock motion to accept 2% COLA for Board of Health staff as noted, Mr. Bennett second, Vote 3-0. Mr. Bennett motion to renew employment agreements with Health and Housing Health Agents and Public Health Nurse contract, Ms. Rock second, Vote 3-0.
- Mr. Ball noted the gravel pit inspection was required and would be performed soon.
- Zoom license expires early August. Board will begin to meet in person for July meeting. Zoom account to be paused and not renew at this time.
- Ms. Rock noted Montage and Greenfield asked if we wanted to be included in a joint PH grant for pooled services. This would not replace staff but would allow hiring of new staff to assist with services that cannot be provide by the town. After discussion, board decided not to participate.
- Board of Health proposed bylaw was passed at the Annual Town Meeting and has been sent with other town meeting matters to the Attorney General's office for approval.

Next Board of Health meeting will be in-person and scheduled for July 19th, 6:00pm.

Mr. Bennett motion to adjourn at 6:59pm, Ms. Rock second, vote 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy Bennett, Admin Assistant
Recording Secretary