

MONTAGUE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, April 6, 2011 –5:30 pm – Downstairs Meeting Room –
Town Hall, One Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA

Meeting Minutes

Present: Chris Boutwell, Jay DiPucchio, Michael Nelson - Chair, Gina McNeely, Director Board of Health Guest – Tom Luck

Variance Request from the State Plumbing Code:

Jay DiPucchio and Tom Luck Industrial Boulevard Lot 14:

- Tom Luck and Jay DiPucchio are business partners – Jay excuses himself from the discussion and the room.
- Gina looked over the variance codes and does not know why a facility like this one would need a shower in each bathroom. There is nothing caustic that you would have to wash off from. Given the type of manufacturing that it is, The State says that the BOH should make it happen to vary the plumbing and gas fitting code as they see fit.
- Tom has been doing manufacturing in Deerfield for the last 12 years and has not had to adhere to this code. They will have a mop sink to be able to clean the floors. Chris Boutwell suggest doing a 4 foot by 4 foot square mop sink with a base incase you want or need to make it into a shower later on.
- A town variance has not been filled out - Chris Boutwell recommends that the applicants fill out the town variance application and wave application fee of \$25.

Chris Boutwell makes a motion that a variance application be filled out and the \$25 fee waived. Michael Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Chris Boutwell makes a motion that the board shy's away from the shower variance requested by the state. Michael Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carries

- The state requires a letter this matter has a sense of urgency which led Gina to draw up two documents so they can sign off on waving the variance. Tom will fill out the variance application.

Request from Gina McNeely, Health Director:

- The request is to move the budget line item from the Town of Montague from a Human Services line item to a Public Safety one. Gina McNeely feels that the Board of Health should be under Public Safety. The Selectboard has been approached by Gina McNeely along with Frank Abbondanzio and Wendy Bogusz regarding this issue. The Selectboard wanted it to come before the Board of Health to vote on. The reaction seems to be a favorable one to change the line item. The item Public Safety is available under the UMAS (universal mass accounting system) we would keep budget numbering the same. The department number is 511 and then Carolyn would put it in the new account. This issue is to have the Board of Health represented on the town meeting floor as such and to bring a level of importance and impact to the department. The Parks and Recreation Department along with the Libraries is under the Human Services heading. The Selectboard felt the request should come from the Board of Health and not the Director.

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Jay DiPucchio made a motion to move the Board of Health Line item from Human Services to Public Safety. Michael Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carries

Adjournment:

Jay DiPucchio motioned to adjourn at 5:48 PM and Chris Boutwell seconded the motion.

Approved by: _____

Date: _____

Meeting Agenda Subject to Change