

MONTAGUE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Wednesday, October 18, 2017 – 5:30 pm – Downstairs Meeting Room
Town Hall, One Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA

Meeting Minutes

Present: Al Cummings, Chair, Christopher Boutwell and Michael Nelson
Staff: Gina McNeely, Director of Public Health, Anne Stuart, Board of Health Clerk

Al Cummings Board of Health Chair opened the special meeting at 5:30 PM and announced that the meeting is being taped.

Minutes September 20, 2017:

*Christopher Boutwell **motioned** to accept the September 20, 2017 minutes as presented. Seconded by Michael Nelson. **Motion passes.***

Director's Report for September 2017:

- 11 Millers Falls Road trash not being picked up at curbside. It later was determined that the trash lacked stickers.
- 3 Norman Circle continues to deteriorate I recently found failing vermiculite insulation which most likely contains asbestos and will have to be handled as such.
- 216 Wendell Road recently was approved for a local upgrade approval (LUA) as they submitted a new plan with the addition of 1 foot of soil with a 4 foot separation to the estimated seasonal groundwater
- An old privy at 146 East Chestnut Hill Road was ordered to be filled in.
- Gina McNeely and Kathie Bridges were present for a Title 5 installation at 485 Federal Street (Red Fire Farm North). While at this location owner Paul Voiland asked Gina to do an informal walkthrough of the kitchen and retail space, the project is shaping up very nicely.
- Gina had an odd inquiry from a person who owns 27 Hatchery Road which had prior issues with alleged soil contamination. There were citations back in the 1990's handled by police officer Ray Zukowski and a Craig Givens a DEP emergency responder. The person wanted well water recommendations I suggested that the well water be tested for volatile organic compounds and nitrates. The person then strongly asserted his well water was fine and left my office. I am unclear regarding his objective in coming to speak to me.
- 15 Rod Shop Road an anonymous complaint was received by Chief Zellmann of TF Fire Department that there was a spill in the road at this location. Several other Town Departments and DEP responded the liquid tested by DEP it was found to be urine. Gina then prepared an emergency order to submit to housing court the next day to condemn this property. Gina did all the legal work and facilitated Chief Zellmann getting into court with the occupant and the owner.

*Michael Nelson **motioned** to accept the September 2017 Director's Report. Seconded by Christopher Boutwell. **Motion passes***

Health Inspector's Report for September 2017:

- Continuation of yearly food inspections including Carroll's Market, Franklin County Technical School and Our Lady of Czestochowa Church.
- 32 High Street re-inspection found the driveway to be cleaned out at this time.

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- Overflowing dumpster and debris complaints at K Street. Bich Thuy Reed, Landlord was called and the dumpster and debris in the alley will be handled.
- A visit to 216 Wendell Road allowed Gina to show Kathern how to use a laser leveler.
- The entire office continues to have to do extra work regarding burial permits from Kostanski Funeral Home.
- New possible mobile food – Ride “N” Dine – Owner, Jesse Berry is looking for a base of operations for his business.

*Michael Nelson **motioned** to accept the September 2017 Health Inspector’s Report. Seconded by Christopher Boutwell. **Motion passes***

Review and update Board of Health 2018 Fee Schedule:

- The Board went over the current fee schedule and reviewed other towns. After some discussion they had the following additions and adjustments for 2018:
 - Add Marijuana Dispensaries with a fee TBD
 - Add Marijuana Retail with fee TBD
 - Add Marijuana Growers with fee TBD
 - Add Air B & B with fee TBD
 - Add Bed & Breakfast with fee TBD
 - Increase Frozen Desserts from \$75.00 to \$85.00

*Michael Nelson **motioned** to approve the additions and the one adjustment to the 2018 fee schedule. Seconded by, Christopher Boutwell. **Motion passes.***

*Christopher Boutwell **motioned** to adjourn at 6:23 PM. Seconded by, Michael Nelson. **Motion passes.***

Meeting adjourned: 6:23PM

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

List of documents used at this meeting:

BOH Minutes – September
 Health Inspectors Report - September
 Directors Report - September
 Fee Schedule – Montague
 Fee Schedules – Sunderland, Greenfield, Leyden, Buckland, Heath, Erving and Gill

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