

Town of Heath
Board of Health
Meeting Minutes from 2/24/14

BOH members present: Becky Allen (chair), Jenna Day, Charlie Cornish, and John Doherty (arrived at 6:42 pm)

Others present: Matt Lively (6:55pm - 7:10 pm)

Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm.

We approved the minutes from February 10, 2014, with corrections. Passed unanimously.

The Board of Health received an HHAN e-mail about 2 cases of Measles in Framingham, MA. Becky will post on bulletin board downstairs.

The Board of Health discussed an e-mail received on ecological costs of contemporary burials. Becky forwarded Wendell's green burial information on to the Heath Cemetery Commission. There has been no word from Warwick or Northampton.

No updates from the Health Agent as to where we stand with Title V's and recent land transfers.

Becky researched the Board of Health minutes regarding septic tank repairs. The board has had discussions but has never made a policy as to acceptance of different issues (i.e. repairs).

The Board of Health reviewed the 2013 Annual Report typed up by the Board of Health Clerk. The board made some changes and as soon as the corrections are made, it will be submitted to the Town Coordinator.

The Board of Health received a pumping report of 12 Schoolhouse Road. The condition was good.

The Board of Health received the application for MEPOA to operate a Bathing Beach at Mohawk Beach Drive. The board issued the permit.

11 Modoc – Matt came in to review for the Board of Health the procedure he used on site. Matt plugged the weep hole in the bottom of the tank. He also did a full inspection of the tank from within the tank and saw no visible cracks. The Board of Health made a motion to allow the seam of the tank to be repaired and re-inspected after 24 hours. Passed unanimously.

The Board of Health discussed the Temporary Occupancy Regulations. The board came to a consensus about the regulations and the time frames to allow Temporary Occupancy. This is now ready for a public hearing.

A Board of Health member does not like having: “ANY BUSINESS THAT WAS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED 48 HOURS BEFORE MEETING”. Open Meeting law requires such a statement just in case. Becky stated that anything that has come before the board that may lead to a discussion and/or a decision she has made sure to put it on the agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca L. Allen

Documents:

Minutes from 2-10-14

E-mail from the HHAN

E-mail from citizen regarding costs of contemporary burial

Pumping report—12 Schoolhouse Road

Application for bathing beach

Temporary Occupancy Regulations (DRAFT)