

Town of Heath
Board of Health
Meeting Minutes from February 3, 2016
Sawyer Hall

BOH members present: Charlie Cornish, Mike Freeman, Betsy Kovacs, and Gloria Fisher, Clerk
FRCOG Health Agent: Glen Ayers

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 by acting chair Mike Freeman.

Minutes: Betsy moved to approve the minutes of the 1/6/2016 meeting as amended. Mike seconded. Vote was unanimous.

FRCOG Food Safety Grant: The article in The Recorder was incorrect. A total of \$65,000 was granted for all towns for five years, not \$65,000 per year. Some of this money will be used to offer a substantial discount to those taking the ServSafe training. A second training will take place at Berkshire East, Charlemont, on June 21. Cost will be just \$75, which includes books and test.

Complaint: A complaint was received by the BOH regarding a property in town that had a number of vehicles and campers on the property. After discussion about the property, Betsy moved to table any action until the weather improves. Charlie seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Complaint: A complaint was received by the BOH regarding a property on Rte. 8A N. The owner of the property complained that people were living there without his permission and that there were a number of health and safety violations. He asked for the Board's help to resolve this situation. After discussion, Betsy moved and Charlie seconded that Glen, accompanied by a police officer, would inspect the property with the building inspector. If there is raw sewage, they will be asked to vacate.

BOH chair Karen Brooks has suggested to the Planning Board that they work with the BOH to align the Camper Trailer Bylaw with the BOH's Camper Trailer Regulation. Karen had e-mailed some suggestions. Betsy noted that the entire BOH should look at the two and make suggestions. Everyone was given a copy of the regulations.

Budget Hearing: has been scheduled for March 15. Both Betsy and Gloria will attend. It was suggested that Gloria contact the FRCOG for a list of duties of the community health nurse.

FRCOG Oversight Mtg: Gloria reported that one of the presentations had been on the Avian Flu. Discussed perhaps some kind of monitoring and the need to make everyone in Heath aware of the dangers of the Avian Flu to their poultry as well as others.

Intern Opportunity: After discussion, it was decided that the internship opportunity was

not a good fit for Heath.

HMCC Mtg: Betsy attended the meeting. It was basically an organizational meeting discussing organization, governance, and bylaws.

Updates:

280 Rte. 8A North

261 Rte. 8A North

Lots 17 & 18 Colrain Stage Rd.

Pumping Reports: noted that all were satisfactory passed.

Title 5 Inspection Form: property on Hosmer Rd.

Nurses Report: for the month of November was reviewed and accepted.

Public Comment - none

Meeting adjourned at 6:31

Documents:

Minutes 1/6/2016

Complaint letter with photos

Pumping Reports

Title 5

Minutes from the 1/5/2015 HMCC Planning Meeting from Betsy

Nurse's Report

Respectfully submitted by Gloria Fisher, BOH Clerk