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Meeting Minutes – June 25, 2019 – 4:00 PM

The Tisbury Board of Health (BOH) met on Tuesday, June 25, 2019, at the Tisbury Town Hall Annex.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

Commissioners in attendance were Chairman Jeff Pratt, Vice-Chairman Malcolm Boyd, and Clerk Dr. Michael Loberg. Ms. Maura Valley, Health Agent, Ms. Catie Blake, Assistant Health Agent, and Valerie Soushek, Administrative Secretary, were also in attendance.

The meeting minutes from May 28, 2019 were approved, as written.

There were no Disposal Works Applications (DWAs) requiring approval by the commissioners.

APPOINTMENT

4:30 PM Stephanie Mashek, Architect / 788 Main Street – Based on clarification provided by Ms. Mashek and more current and complete plans, Ms. Valley will approve the plan. No deed restriction for renovation is required.

HEALTH AGENT OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Body Art Regulations

Ms. Valley reported that a body art practitioner, Mr. Anthony Sandoval, is attempting to become licensed in the Town of Tisbury. An application for Mr. Sandoval was dropped off at the Board of Health office. As the studio on Main @ Center Streets is not licensed, the application was not accepted. The practitioner has a license to practice at Cottage City Tattoo in Oak Bluffs; however, he was not hired because according to Bruce Gulick

of Cottage City, he was practicing on underage clients and outside of the studio, which is against the Regulations.

According to a post on Mr. Sandoval's Facebook page, he began tattooing at the Vineyard Haven location in May. Ms. Valley spoke with Mr. Kahn Tran, owner of the proposed tattoo studio, and explained that the shop required Board of Health licensure and could not be operational until such licensure is approved.

Tisbury's Body Art Regulations are based on Massachusetts Model Regulations with an exception: Tisbury requires completion of a course in Anatomy and Physiology. After researching the matter further, Ms. Valley found that most locales, including the State Model and Oak Bluffs, cite the course requirement for body piercing licenses, only. As such, the Commissioners voted to bring Tisbury's regulations into accordance with the State Model.

Grease Regulations

Ms. Valley agreed to resend the proposed grease regulations to the Commissioners for their review and comments.

Tobacco Regulations

Ms. Valley proposed a hearing date of July 23, 2019 at 4:30 PM, to which the commissioners confirmed their availability.

Tobacco Violations

Ms. Valley reported that the Cape Cod Tobacco Control representatives were on-island to conduct compliance checks. XtraMart and Bite on the Go were found to be in violation of the regulations for selling to underage patrons. As this was their first violation in 36 months, Ms. Valley issued a citation for \$100.

Landfill Site Assignment

Ms. Valley reported that she received a call from Mr. Jay Grande, Town Administrator, requesting information for constructing a building on the section of land between the Town Annex and Animal Shelter, which is currently site-assigned for landfill by the State. Ms. Valley asked the Commissioners to consider de-site assigning the lot and relinquishing BOH control, for feedback at a future meeting after Ms. Valley has received information from the State.

Nursing Contract

Ms. Valley provided copies of the proposed contract with Island HealthCare (IHC) for FY (fiscal year) 2020 to the Commissioners. There have been no changes since the contract for FY 2019. The island health agents are meeting tomorrow to discuss services that are no longer needed and reallocating funding based on review by Mr. Jim Butterick, Chief Medical Officer at Cape Cod Healthcare. Overall, IHC did well in the first year of their contract; they have been very responsive.

Food Inspection Modernization Grant

Ms. Valley reported that she has received a grant for Food Code Pro, a software for food safety inspections. The grant, in the amount of \$2,400 plus installation for the first year, was received from Berger Food Safety Consulting. The BOH is not obligated to continue the service after the first year if dissatisfied.

Tisbury School – Indoor Air Quality Assessment

Ms. Valley provided an indoor air quality assessment report from the State, to all the commissioners for informational purposes. The State did not test for mold.

Main Street – Sewer Odor

Ms. Valley reported that she has been receiving complaints of a sewer odor from Main Street retailers. It is believed that the odor coincides with the pumping of the ferries by the Steamship Authority Vineyard Haven Harbor. Ms. Valley has been working with Tisbury Wastewater to confirm the cause. The retailers have been asked to keep a log with dates and times of the odor incidents when noticed.

Ethics Commission

Ms. Valley reported that as a contractor employed by Ms. Amelia Hambrecht, Commissioner Boyd must recuse himself when it comes to discussions regarding the septic upgrade at Ms. Hambrecht's property on Lagoon Pond Road.

Plastic Bottle Ban

Ms. Valley reported that the Selectmen will be voting on a request to add a warrant article to the annual town meeting for banning plastic bottles in Tisbury. They have asked for feedback from the BOH, so Ms. Valley asked the Commissioners to consider.

BOH Appointments

Approved as presented:

Plumbing Inspector – Michael Ciano
Assistant Plumbing Inspector – William Haynes
Harbor Management / Natural Resources – Malcolm Boyd
Land Bank Advisory – Jeff Pratt
Site Plan Review – Jeff Pratt
Sewer Advisory – Jeff Pratt
Wastewater Planning – Michael Loberg
Animal Inspector – Laurie Clements and Catie Blake

ASSISTANT HEALTH AGENT OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Inspection updates

Ms. Blake reported that all barns and Bed & Breakfast establishments (B&Bs) have been inspected. She is still working on camp inspections.

Ms. Blake is working to bring B&Bs that are operating without a license, into compliance.

Beach testing

Ms. Blake reported three (3) exceedances along the Vineyard Sound in the first week of testing. There were no issues upon re-testing the next day.

Tisbury Street Fair

Ms. Blake reminded the commissioners that the Street Fair is taking place on Monday, July 1, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

Rabies Vaccine Exemption – O B Rogers – Approved.

Rabies Vaccine Exemption – Bjorn Cassiani – Approved.

Postponement of sewer tie-in – Sherman Goldstein / 10 & 12 Cromwell Lane –

Approved as long as the property remains uninhabited and the electric and water service are disconnected.

Postponement of (failed) septic upgrade – Theresa Culletto / 116 Midland Avenue

Approved until November 30, 2019 with the following conditions:

- The system must be monitored and pumped as often as necessary to prevent sewage contamination;
- If sewage breaches the system at any time, water service to the house will be disconnected; thereby, deeming the property condemned;
- The engineering process for the upgrade must commence as soon as possible so that drawings can be submitted to the BOH office for approval by August 30, 2019.
- The system upgrade must be installed by November 30, 2019.

Postponement of septic (single cesspools) upgrade – Harvey Knowles / 967 Main St.

Approved until October 31, 2019 with the following conditions:

- Engineered drawings must be submitted to the BOH office for approval by August 30, 2019.
- The system upgrade must be installed by October 31, 2019.

Postponement of septic repairs & re-inspection – Robert Ambrozy / 17 Irene's Way

Approved with a new deadline of August 31, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS

Postponement of (failed) septic upgrade – Mike Sawyer / 1 DeBettencourt Way

The commissioners requested that Mr. Sawyer attend their next meeting on July 9, 2019.

BILLS AND PERMITS FOR APPROVAL

With no further business to conduct the Board of Health commissioners adjourned the meeting at 5:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Soushek
Administrative Secretary

Document(s)

The Board of Health commissioners accept the meeting minutes, dated June 25, 2019, as presented.

Date: 7/23/19

Signed: 