



## **TOWN OF TISBURY**

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### **THE BOARD OF HEALTH**

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#### **MEETING MINUTES – December 10, 2019 – 4:00 PM**

The Tisbury Board of Health (BOH) met on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at the Tisbury Town Hall Annex.

Chairman Pratt called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

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

Meeting minutes from November 12, 2019 were approved with no changes.

#### **APPOINTMENT**

##### **4:30 PM Chris Alley re: Knowles / 967 Main Street / 1-G-9**

Mr. Chris Alley of Schofield, Barbini & Hoehn appeared before the commissioners to discuss his concerns about the regulations for Board of Health-ordered septic system upgrades when deadlines are assigned. The commissioners acknowledged Mr. Alley's concerns and agreed to review the regulations with the health agents.

#### **HEALTH AGENT OPERATIONAL UPDATE**

##### **Tisbury School**

Ms. Valley reported that the Tisbury School is on target for re-occupancy in January based on a recent walk-through of the building with one of the contractors, the Building Inspector and Fire Chief. Renovations and repairs have been completed on the 3rd floor. Renovations and repairs on the 2nd floor are still in progress. Environmental and industrial hygiene testing will be completed prior to occupancy.

##### **Landfill Monitoring**

Ms. Valley reported that she has been in contact with representatives at Wright-Pierce to follow up with the submission of paperwork for reduced testing requirements to the State. Additionally,

CVEC is not adequately addressing erosion control at the solar array area of the landfill so Ms. Valley will address this matter in a future meeting with representatives from Wright-Pierce and CVEC.

**Cook Road contempt hearing**

Ms. Valley reported she will be present at a hearing on December 13, 2019 for contempt charges against Mr. Taylor Wilson for the poor condition of his property on Cook Road. Mr. Wilson has failed to rid the property of trash, campers, storage containers, etc. as ordered in the past. The property is also under land court jurisdiction for the Town to take over the land. The dwelling has already been razed.

**State tobacco control**

Ms. Valley provided a copy of the new tobacco control law to the commissioners. She also summarized the highlights. The Public Health Counsel is meeting on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, to review the law; after which the Department of Public Health will hold a webinar (on November 14<sup>th</sup>) to provide the latest updates. Ms. Valley is planning to attend the webinar.

**SanTOE system installation**

Ms. Valley reported that the first SanTOE system has been installed at Island Housing Trust's property on Greenwood Avenue. Testing at the system, which is being piloted by KleanTu, will be conducted on a monthly basis.

**Holiday meeting schedule**

The commissioners agreed to forego the regularly scheduled meeting on December 24<sup>th</sup>. They will meet on January 14<sup>th</sup>. Vacation schedules were also discussed--Dr. Loberg will be on vacation February 12-26<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Valley will be off February 8<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>.

**BOH FY 21 budget**

Ms. Valley provided a copy and a narrative of the board of health budget for fiscal year 2021 to the commissioners. The net increase is just over \$7,000, which the commissioners approved.

**Jay's Septic**

Ms. Valley reported that, against the commissioners' order on October 1st, Mr. Jay Araujo conducted 13 septic pump-outs without permits in November nor has he paid the \$500 fine assessed. The commissioners voted to revoke Mr. Araujo's pumper license in perpetuity, effective December 15<sup>th</sup>. For consideration of reinstatement by the commissioners, Mr. Araujo must reappear before the commissioners and make restitution to the Town for assessed fines and fees for pump-outs conducted without permits. An appeal by Mr. Araujo will not be available.

**ASSISTANT HEALTH AGENT OPERATIONAL UPDATE**

**Inspections**

Ms. Blake reported that she is addressing over 100 variations of inspections for annual purposes and license renewals within the Town.

The commissioners will not require the prospective new owners of the Captain Dexter House, a bed and breakfast establishment, to come before the board.

Ms. Blake has received reports that the proprietor of Ackee Tree has been serving food without Board of Health approval. Ms. Blake has been trying to contact the proprietor for clarification of any change of use at Ackee Tree. A cease and desist order will be issued if food is unlawfully being served.

**DISPOSAL WORKS APPLICATIONS (DWAs) APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS**

DWA 4231 Pine / Red Buoy Lane / 14-B-2.02 - Approved  
DWA 4233 Grunwald / 585 Herring Creek Rd. / 32-C-8 - Approved

**NEW BUSINESS – N/A**

**OLD BUSINESS – N/A**

**BILLS AND PERMITS FOR APPROVAL**

<b><u>Vendor</u></b>	<b><u>Budget Category</u></b>	<b><u>Total Due</u></b>
Island Health Care	public health services	\$ 3,308.50
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 3,308.50</b>

With no further business to conduct, the Board of Health Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 5:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Soushek  
Administrative Secretary

Document(s)

The Board of Health commissioners accept the meeting minutes, dated December 10, 2019, as presented.

Date: 1/14/2020 Signed: 