

BOH MEETING MINUTES

11/03/2021

Attending
Bridget Sweet, Chair
Timothy Cochrane Jr., Vice Chair
Jeff Harris, Member

In attendance: Cathleen Liberty, Director of Public Health; Bridget Sweet, Chair; Timothy Cochrane Jr. Vice Chair; Member Jeff Harris; Matt Tanis, Health Agent; Alicia Deptula, Public Health Nurse; Melissa Kiriacopoulos taking minutes; Steve Sherlock, Recording Meeting; Margaret Ranieri.

Meeting called to order 5:00pm

❖ Reading and acceptance of October 13, 2021 minutes.

2) NEW BUSINESS

New Board member re-elected on November 2, 2021. Due to re-election, the board is scheduled to restructure its current positions. Vice-Chair Timothy Cochrane Jr. nominated Bridget Sweet to be Chair. Member Jeff Harris seconded. Vice-Chair Timothy Cochrane Jr. nominated Jeff Harris as Vice-Chair. Chair Sweet seconded.

27 Winter Street

Owner Margaret Ranieri updated the board stating that within 60-90 days she would have a demolition permit in process and would be moving forward on the demo of property. The board advised Mrs. Ranieri to get pest control in prior to abate any rodent issues as a concern to neighbors. The board also advised Mrs. Ranieri to make weekly visits to the property to ensure property is secured. Chair Sweet requested Mrs. Ranieri to keep the board updated with progress and dates as she moves forward. Chair Sweet motioned to accept proposal from owners and to revisit the property in February 2022, pending updates from Mrs. Ranieri. Seconded by Jeff Harris.

Metacomet Shared Service Grant Regional Inspector's Report

Health Agent Matt Tanis updated the board stating he had 2 housing codes, 2 re-inspections, 2 nuisance calls and 9 food inspections. Agent Tanis notified the board that he recently completed the required Foundations Course Program by the DPH.

Public Health Nurse Update

Public Health Nurse Alicia Deptula updated the board on the past held Flu Clinic for 65+ stating that there were 57 vaccines given as well as a handful of homebound vaccines given. Alicia updated the board on Covid-19 in recognizing there were 177 confirmed cases this past October, 2021. Alicia also stated that there is currently 1 TB case. Alicia notified the board of the upcoming Covid-19 Vaccine program being given to 5-11 year olds allowing for 300 doses to be provided to the community.

850 Summer St Local Upgrade

Director Liberty updated the board stating that our PCS Consultant said that the local upgrade is reasonable but would like the following items recommended for proposed design: 1) The design to provide an impervious barrier between soil absorption system and foundation wall and depth of barrier be deep enough to protect the home; 2) Per Presby system design manual, speed levels to be installed in d-box outlets for even flow distribution; 3) Per DEP system approval requirement, a disclosure notice in the deed to the property stating the innovative/alternative system is serving the dwelling as required in accordance with 310 CMR 287(10).

Vice-Chair Harris motioned to approve local upgrade. Seconded by Member Timothy Cochrane, Jr.

PFAS

Chair Sweet recommended adding a link to Board of Health website to educate residents on what PFAS is. A link has since been added since recommendation.

4) CITIZENS COMMENTARY

Steve Sherlock commented on residents expressing concern in regards to keeping meetings remote for easier access. The board has decided to keep all meetings moving forward remote via ZOOM.

5) ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairman Harris motions to adjourn, seconded by Member Timothy Cochrane Jr. Roll call vote to adjourn meeting at 5:35pm.