

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

January 3, 2018

As Approved April 4, 2018

Present: Dr. Wolf, Chair; Suzanne Cordes, Vice Chair; Diane Dietzen, MD, Clerk; Sharon Hart, Public Health Director; Jennifer Jernigan, Public Health Coordinator, Vern Blodgett, S. Hadley, MA; Kathleen Davis, South Hadley, MA; Elizabeth Bowdan, S. Hadley, MA; Robert Pleasure, S. Hadley, MA

The Board of Health Meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m. by Dr. Wolf.

1. Acceptance of Minutes:

Dr. Wolf motioned to accept the minutes of November 1, 2017. Suzanne Cordes seconded. All were in favor.

2. New Business: (a) School Water Quality

Vern Blodgett spoke about school water quality concerns. He reviewed the Senate bill and the background of what their concerned citizen's group has been doing in terms of school water quality safety. He discussed their meeting that they had with Town Administrator, Mike Sullivan. The group is ready to work with the Board of Health, Town Administrator and Schools to take a positive stand and enact something even if the Bill is not passed. Discussion occurred regarding payment of the testing also. The group is looking for leadership by the Town to start a program. The goal is to start with public schools and then move to private, it was determined. The guidelines for actual testing will need to be clearly defined as to when and how to test.

Dr. Wolf asked the group of concerned citizens what they would like the Board of Health to do. They want the Board of Health to go back to Nick Young, School Superintendent and Mike Sullivan, Town Administrator and work on a draft of a town bylaw or regulation on this topic. The Board of Health could also do outreach. The group would like this done for the May town meeting. Director Hart stated that she is ready to be involved in developing a bylaw or regulation.

5:03 pm – Concerned Citizens Group Left

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The Board discussed the possibility of an intern working on this regulation.

3. Director's Report: The Board was asked to review the report and discuss any topics they desired.

- The meeting Director Hart had with Tara, the new Town Reminder Journalist, was discussed. Tara wrote an article on the Nalaxone Grant.
- The Emergency Management training and exercises Director Hart participated in were reviewed and also Director Hart's recommendation to the School Superintendent, Nick Young, about holding ICS training with his staff.
- The Town is putting the possibility of banning of all marijuana establishments back on the ballot and this was discussed due to the possible public health ramifications marijuana establishments can have.
- Director Hart covered the situation at 39 Alvord Street where a septic plan was needed due to the owner planning on putting on a porch or deck there.
- Blanchard Hall at Mt. Holyoke College versus the Community Dining Center there at the college was discussed. We are reviewing how to permit with two buildings on the same plot.
- The status of the April Marion Dangerous Dog Hearing was reviewed with the Board.
- The presentation Director Hart put on at the Council on Aging was discussed.
- The number of tobacco/nicotine delivery device permits issued yearly was reviewed. Dr. Wolf motioned to decrease the number of permits allowed to 12. Suzanne Cordes seconded. All were in favor. The tobacco regulations must be republished and a new public hearing held on this.
- An oil spill issue at 27 South Street was discussed and all the departments involved covered. The Health Department's role in the complaint was reviewed.
- A dog abandonment issue that the health department dealt with was covered.
- Issues with Mosier and the Middle School were reviewed. Air quality at all schools will be tested.

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- The water shut off notices that we received were discussed and housing complaints coming from the police department regarding filth were reviewed with the board. There have been no “lack of heat in the apartment’ calls lately, however.
- There was a state complaint concerning a camp that was unlicensed and then visited by one our own licensed camps.
- Questions regarding the District #2 Monitoring Waiver application for 2017-2019 were covered.
- Nalaxone, Train the Trainer and options for Community Health Engagement spots in town were discussed.
- The Hadley Village Pool situation was reviewed.
- The situation with 68 School Street was discussed with the Board.

4. Old Business:

There was no old business to discuss.

The next Board of Health meeting was set to March 7, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. All were in favor.

5. Adjournment

Dr. Wolf motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. All were in agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer J. Jernigan
Public Health Coordinator

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ATTACHMENT A

DOCUMENT

RECORD LOCATION

Email from Tara Vocino to Director Hart on Setting up Interview with Town Reminder on Nalaxone Grant	BOH File
Letter from DEP to Fire District #2 Water Department on Monitoring Waivers Determination 2017-2019 Compliance Period	BOH File
Report from DEP on Transfer Station Inspection October 26, 2017	BOH File
Letter from DEP on Leachate System Permit Approval	BOH File
Ballot Questions Duly Voted by the South Hadley Selectboard 12/19/17	BOH File
DPH’s Updated Meningitis Advisory	BOH File
MDPH Clinical Advisory on HIV Transmission Through Injection Drug Use	BOH File
Participating Municipality Agreement for Tobacco Program	BOH File
Email from Leslie Hennessey, Director of COA, thanking Director Hart for presentation she did	BOH File
Drinking Water Quality Background Information	BOH File
October 31, 2017 Shut Off List	BOH File
Mosier School Health Concern Information	BOH File

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Middle School Water Quality with Pool Issue

BOH File

DPH Health and Safety Advisory for Humanitarian
Aid Work in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands

BOH File

Notice of Compliance 144 Pearl Street

BOH File

Mass Hurricane Recovery Resources Guide

BOH File