



## WARREN BOARD OF HEALTH

*Charles E. Shepard Municipal Building*

### **Minutes from the Board of Health meeting held at 5:00 pm, Thursday, the 19th day of March 2020**

**Present:** Kenneth B. Lacey Jr., Donald Makowski, Timothy Czub, and Priscilla Clowes.

**Attendees:** Tricia Valiton.

**5:05 pm:** Mr. Lacey opens meeting.

#### **Bills and Payroll**

- Mr. Makowski makes a motion to approve the following bills and payroll, Mr. Czub seconds, all in favor- unanimous for:
- Burdett's Trash Pickup \$665 for March.
- Chris Jones/Plumbing Inspector \$445 for gas and plumbing inspections.
- Mike Pluta/Plumbing Inspector \$220 for gas and plumbing inspections.
- Board of Sewer \$105 for Leachate for 3/5/2020.
- Sydney Plante/Animal Inspector \$75 for February.
- Dawn Toon/Health Inspector \$240 for Health Inspections.
- Slim's & Berthiaume \$125 for Leachate invoice #50058.
- Priscilla Clowes – Payroll w/e 2/22/20 \$409.92, w/e 2/29/20 \$409.92, w/e 3/7/20 \$409.92, and w/e 3/14/20 \$424.56.

#### **Business:**

- Discussion on COVID-19 Governor Baker declared a state of emergency and DPH is urging all residents to practice social distancing at all times to limit the spread of this highly contagious and potentially deadly virus. Mr. Lacey stated that he believes the school closure will extend further than the April 7<sup>th</sup> date. As of March 15<sup>th</sup> there is a limit of 25 people for gatherings, and as of yesterday March 19<sup>th</sup> it is now limited to 10 people per gathering- municipals excluded. Day care centers can apply for emergency status or will be closed.
- Mr. Czub makes motion to appoint Ms. Tricia Valiton as new Health Inspector, Mr. Makowski seconds – all in favor. Acceptance letter to be drafted for Ms. Valiton to sign. Also, letter to Ms. Dawn Toon to thank for years of service as Health Inspector. Ms. Toon has new job in Wellesley and is not able to devote the time needed for food inspections and property complaints. Ms. Valiton will be able to attend BOH meetings and to work in the BOH office to follow up on property complaints and health concerns.
- Ms. Sydney Plante/Animal Inspector stated that she does not wish to fulfill another term. The yearly term will end April 30<sup>th</sup>, and the BOH will need to appoint a new animal inspector.

Ms. Julie Sorel of Ware is interested in this position. Request that Ms. Sorel attend our next BOH meeting in April in order to discuss.

- Comins Pond new Water Treatment Plant plans reviewed. Send Memo to Planning Board to state that the BOH has no health concerns with the plans.
- Lucy Stone Quaboag River water testing request from Mr. Tim O'Brien to see if the BOH will budget \$225 for water testing through the summer months. Currently we pay for water testing at Comins Pond during the months of May-Sept., and Mr. Lacey will look into adding this into our Budget line for the Quaboag River Lucy Stone Park area.
- Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project information from Mr. Timothy Deschamps. This is a year-round program of mosquito control-information and will be taken home to read by Mr. Czub and Mr. Makowski to discuss at next BOH meeting. If the Town is interested, we need to reach out to Mr. Tim Deschamps and invite to our next meeting.
- Burdett's Trash Service contract to be rewritten by Mr. Lacey and Mr. Paul Burdette, with the subtraction of a dumpster at West Warren Treatment Facility and the addition of a dumpster at Highway Department. West Warren Treatment Facility is unable to have a dumpster from Burdett's due to the fact that the solid waste and rags are contaminated with human waste and require a special pick up service. Mr. Romanski and Ms. Lisa Digris are looking into finding a special hauler for this solid waste service.

- ~ The next BOH meeting will be Thursday April 16, 2020 at 5pm in the BOS meeting room.
- ~ 6:45 PM Mr. Makowski makes a motion to adjourn second by Mr. Czub – all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

BOH Clerk

Date approved:

4-20-2020