

Minutes from the Board of Health meeting held at 5:00 pm Thursday May 20th, 2021

Present: Kenneth B. Lacey, Charlene Farris, Brianna Dunn, Tricia Valiton

Attendees: Pamela Griffing, Monica Clark, Bert Clark

Absent: Donald Makowski

5:02 pm: Mr. Lacey calls meeting to order

5:05 pm: Bills and Payroll

Mrs. Farris makes a motion to pay all bills and payroll Mr. Lacey seconds – all in favor for:

- Solid Waste Solutions-5/1/21 (\$2,100.00)
- Slim's and Berthiaume-5/4/21 (\$150.00)
- Burdett's Trash Pick Up- 5/1/21 (\$719.50)
- Lisa Meunier- 4/19/21 (\$550.00)
- Michelle Seremet- 5/1/21 (\$250.00)
- Tricia Valiton – 3/17/21-4/14/21 (\$532.00), 4/15/21-5/19/21 (\$510.00)
- Brianna Dunn- 4/24/21 (\$407.40), 5/1/21 (\$407.40), 5/8/21 (\$407.40), 5/15/21 (\$407.40)
- Tamara Dufresne – Month of April (\$75.00)
- Chris Jones – Plumbing and Gas Inspections through 4/20/21 (\$1,075.00)
- Staples – ink and toner waste cartridges 4/7/21 (\$328.94)
- WB Mason – 5/19/21 (\$22.77)

June meeting board will approve meeting minutes when all board members are present.

5:08 pm:

Pamela Griffing takes the floor. She came to the meeting tonight to get answers as to why her e-mails about the Quaboag Middle High School Prom were not responded to. In her email she included a list of reasons Prom guests should be considered, 2 petitions one done online, and one done physically. Pamela Griffing says she was told by Quaboag School Administration that it is the local Board of Health that have largely influenced the decision to hold Quaboag students from being allowed to take guests outside of Quaboag to the Prom. Chairman, Mr. Lacey replies that the local Boards of Health do not typically have much jurisdiction over the high school that it is majorly DESE, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the School Committee, Administration, and School Nurse. Mr. Lacey says he did provide state recommendations surrounding COVID-19 which the school considered, adopted, and he agreed it was a safe decision to be made. Pamela Griffing went on to say that she was not happy with the lack of professional courtesy and Mr. Lacey agreed he should have sent a response.

5:23 pm:

Bert and Monica Clark take the floor to discuss the noise levels that reach their property from Palmer Motorsports Park. It has been an ongoing issue for years. Mr. Lacey asks that Ms. Dunn reach out to the Palmer Town Manager to find out if Palmer Motorsports Park is in court and with who. Going forward the Board of Health will see what can be done about filing a nuisance order if once they are not in court.

Business:

- Septic Installer License reviewed and signed by Mr. Lacey and Mrs. Farris for DW Equipment Rentals LLC
- Comins Pond beach permit was issued from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day Weekend
- Animal Regulations tabled until next meeting
- Ms. Dunn and Ms. Valiton will work on tanning permit application and courtesy letter to be sent to all salons making them aware of permitting requirements regarding tanning. These will be reviewed by the Board at the next meeting before they are to be sent out.
- Ms. Dunn is to do a little research into what surrounding towns are charging for different types of permits – the Board will Plan to review this in August.

Complaints:

- Ms. Valiton follows up with complaint regarding 10 Lombard St. There did not appear to be any supporting evidence of the complaint. The Board asks that a follow up with the police department be done to ensure that no complaints have been called in there. Ms. Valiton is to send a letter asking for access to the property.
- Ms. Valiton is to write a letter asking for access to the property 735 Main St. due to complaints about mattress piles and rats.
- 225 Southbridge Rd. has rooster and chicken complaints that will be revisited at the next meeting.
- Ms. Dunn will send an email to try to get a meeting with the tax collector, treasurer, and assessors to discuss any updates with 1059 and 1061 Main St.

6:44 pm:

Mrs. Farris makes a motion to adjourn, Mr. Lacey seconds, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald Makowski – Board of Health Clerk

Date approved: 6/24/2021