

**MINUTES
BOARD OF HEALTH
December 7, 2017**

OPENING: The regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Health opened at 7:00 p.m. The following members were in attendance:

Dr. Jerome Azia
Sue Brzoska
Jean Nilsson
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Mr. Thomas FitzGerald, Health Director, was also in attendance.

MINUTES

Ms. Nilsson made a motion to accept the minutes of October 19, 2017 and November 9, 2017. Dr. Azia seconded the motion. The vote of the Board was unanimous in favor.

ATTENDANCE

Mr. Randy Brown, DPW Director, attended the meeting to discuss the issue of grease clogging the sewer line in the vicinity of 50 Berkshire Ave. Randy Brown will be scheduling a meeting with the Plumbing Inspector to discuss the existence of grease traps at area restaurants with the intent of finding the cause of the grease build up within the sewer lines. The Board of Health and Mr. Brown discussed ways to bring awareness to the community about the proper ways to dispose of grease.

MR. FITZGERALD'S REPORT

9 Foster Road Mr. FitzGerald stated that the septic system will be complete by Monday December 11, 2017.

Apt. 37 Depot Court Mr. FitzGerald received a complaint about odors coming from Apt. 37 Depot Court. The Tenant was not willing to give Mr. FitzGerald access to the apartment. Mr. FitzGerald was granted a court order for access to the apartment from Housing Court. Mr. FitzGerald, Dr. Azia, Officer Kirk Sanders, and Mr. Ben Sanchez from Westfield Housing Authority were able to access the apartment and assess the situation. After speaking with the tenant and viewing the apartment it was decided that Westfield Crisis will do an assessment of the tenant.

58 Vining Hill Road The Attorney Generals Office sent a letter to the owner of record about the status of this property as it has been unoccupied for quite some time. Mr. FitzGerald viewed the exterior of the property with the Attorney Generals Office.

54 Davis Road The Attorney General will be sending a certified letter in cooperation with the Board of Health to the owner of record. The owner of record, bank, will be scheduling a site visit with Mr. FitzGerald.

622 College Highway The Board received the proposed plans for O'Reilly's Auto Parts Store

TITLE 5 FINAL INSPECTIONS

- 9 Overlook Lane
- 22 Deer Run Road
- 226 South Longyard Road (tank & d-box)
- 7 Matthews Road (d-box)
- 6 Hillcrest Road

SOIL EVALUATIONS

- 224 Vining Hill Road
- 25 North Longyard Road
- 85 North Longyard Road
- 42 Congamond Road
- 192 Vining Hill Road

SIGN-OFFS

- **42** Congamond Road

TOBACCO GRANT UPDATE The Tobacco Grant application has been submitted with 6 other towns. If the Town of Southwick is awarded the grant the town will be hiring an individual to do the compliance checks.

FDA TOBACCO SALES UPDATE Mr. FitzGerald reported that there were two illicit tobacco sales in Southwick. The two businesses that allowed the illicit sales were CVS on College Highway and The Vapor House on College Highway.

PERMIT FEES Ms. Nilsson made a motion to accept the increase in the Board of Health's fees for the calendar year 2018. Dr. Azia seconded the motion. The vote of the Board was unanimous in favor.

FOOD SERVICE INSPECTIONS Flynn Farm, Granby Pizza, and The Cove are no longer in business.

BUDGET DISCUSSION Tom will be preparing the FY 2019 budget for review at the next meeting.

MEETINGS/TRAININGS/SEMINARS

- Site activation for EDS exercise, December 2, 2017 at Southwick Regional
- Lead Paint Determiner training.
- Department Head meeting

ENVIRONMENTAL Mr. FitzGerald attended the Tick Borne Illness Conference at UMASS

The next scheduled meeting is December 21, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Pelley, Secretary

cc:
Select Board
Town Clerk

Dr. Jerome Azia, Chairman

Tom FitzGerald, Health Director

Sue Brzoska

Jean Nilsson

Date