

March 14, 2024

BoH Minutes

Senior Center Social Hall, 6:30pm

Present: Susan Mosler, MD, Margaret Mastrangelo, FNP, Ben Lipham, Peter Lore, Marcy Fleming; absent: E. Dragon, J. Nevinsmith

1. Welcome and call to order: 6:31 pm
2. Acceptance of previous minutes: accepted Mosler & Mastrangelo
3. Update from HI:
 - a. Pools inspected (1 year approval)
 - b. Tatoo places almost done (just one to go)
 - c. Septic applications are increasing
 - d. Hampshire regional inspectors cont to do inspections. They do initial inspection and Ben will do reinspection and will also follow up; since mid-Jan almost 30 inspections have been done.
 - e. Budget has been submitted. Peter adds that the town meeting is May 4th. At this time there will be a request for town to approve new expenditures (July 2024 new cycle begins). Still some discussion between finance committee and SB which should be wrapped up soon.
 - f. FIT courses – standardization – trying to standardize all inspections on food and housing for this year. Ben has completed all the classes – next will be housing inspection classes likely in the summer. The focus is on understanding what the code is meant to be and resources available
4. Update from Peter
 - a. Permit fees – 8 establishments not permitted just yet which are not large scale operations. All have been contacted. Susan offers to make a visit to the establishments if necessary but this is not needed at this time.
 - b. Food truck vendor applications are increasing: 4/27 at YMC; 2 applications have been received. No applications yet for the Asparagus Festival.
 - c. Reminder that town meeting is Th 5/4/24
 - d. Permit fees: S Mosler recommends that we postpone until E. Dragon is present. Motion passed unanimously
5. Update from town RN

- a. Upcoming Presentations: Multiple Chemical Sensitivities and the next month Effects of Stress on Body and Mind; also meeting w/UMass RN students who will be presenting at the Senior Health Fair
6. Covid Wastewater – continuation of testing. DPW asked that we reeval the need for continued testing; Ben states that Covid data collection from the MA DoH; Margaret states that although collecting the data provides valuable information, at this time, given the CDC change in guideline and the extra workload this puts on DPW, it would be best to discontinue. Motion made to discontinue, passes unanimously
7. Update about # of hours available for town RN to use before the end of this fiscal year;
8. Any other business that could not be reasonably anticipated before the meeting: none
9. Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm: accepted unanimously.

Next meeting: Senior Center Social Hall, 6:30pm April 11th 2024.