

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

May 16, 2016

- *Plymouth PACTV recorded the meeting.*
and
- *Audio also recorded on Member McSweeney's personal recorder. McSweeney notified the Board that she will be personally recording every meeting.*

Board Members Donna Bagni, Chair; Gary Fine, Clerk, Gail McSweeney, Member and Lisa Cullity, Health Agent, were present. The meeting opened at 6:31 p.m. Chair Bagni read the following statement: *"Please note that this meeting is being made available to the public through an audio recording, which will be used to ensure an accurate record of proceeding produced in the minutes of the meeting. All comments made in open session will be recorded."* The Board signed payroll. Fine moved to accept the minutes from the April 11, 2016 meeting; McSweeney seconded. All in favor. Bagni also thanked former Board Member Tom Driscoll for his service to the Board and the Town.

Prior to the reorganization of the Board, Chair Bagni read the following:

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To the Board of Health:

In light of the past history in this office with Ms. Gail McSweeney, I wish to announce that I will only communicate with her via the Town's email and only when absolutely necessary. It will be her responsibility to check her email for Board of Health information. In this particular case, perhaps the best way to transmit information to her would be via the Chairperson. I will not give out my personal cell number, my private telephone number, nor my personal email address to her and I respectfully request that none of my texts nor private emails be forwarded to her by any Board member nor anyone else as my cell number and personal email address would be available from that forwarding. This also applies to any cell phone and private telephone calls. Please do not text me as part of a group text nor a personal email message; send them to me singly. I ask the Board to respect my requests and for their assurances they will abide.

I would also like to announce that I will be retiring on September 30, 2016. My last day at Town Hall will be September 23 as I will take the following final week as a vacation. I have started a "to do" binder for my replacement in the hopes it will make the transition a bit easier.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Mirotta
Secretary

Bagni and Fine agreed to abide by the Secretary's requests.

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Board Re-organization:

- Fine moved to re-nominate Bagni as Chair; McSweeney seconded. All in favor.
- Bagni moved to nominate Fine as Clerk and McSweeney as Member; McSweeney seconded. All in favor.
- Bagni gave out the appropriate badges to Fine and McSweeney with the admonition that there is a \$75.00 replacement fee for any lost badges.

Heath Agent updates:

- For future discussion: Plastic bags ban from grocery stores issue; paper bags will be ok.
- Cullity recommended that BOH members attend the November meeting for MAHB training for BOH members conference.
- Zika mosquitos: State continues to study.
- Funding cuts for Public Health Emergency response.
- No current issues with ticks, lyme disease, etc.
- Dr. Mather, UNRI Tick Program re: testing ticks to determine if they carry Lyme Disease. He is asking towns for \$8,000.00 for pilot program for tick monitoring and control. He also wants \$20.00 per test and the tick for analysis for Lyme Disease. Town turned down the \$8,000.00 for the program.
- Trash / recycling: the 2nd week of July will be the launch of the new trash toters for household trash. Cullity also stated she has been involved with the meetings between the Town and EZ Disposal regarding services. She asked the Board if they had a problem with her continued involvement at that level and the Board stated they had no problem with that.

Bagni closed the public meeting and opened a public hearing at 6:45 p.m.

233 Church Street-Shell Gas – John Field, Soil Evaluator and Richard DeFusco, Engineer, Ayoub Engineering, attended. No others appeared. As space is limited for a new septic system, the following variance was requested: Reduce the required distance to property lines from 10' to 7.5'. Cullity stated the system could fit only in that space; she added that a protective component would also be part of the new system. Fine moved to allow the variance; McSweeney seconded. All in favor.

Bagni closed the public hearing and re-opened the public meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Fine requested the issue of fines and penalties to be included on the meeting of June 13 agenda.

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Heath Agent updates continued:

- Cullity stated to the Board that Kyle Harney, Chamber of Commerce, requested if EZ Disposal would offer business trash pick-up. Harney would need to research what businesses needed and want. EZ Disposal would quote pricing for that service. Cullity also stated that businesses may use the recycling center for disposal of cardboard and paper only.

Fine moved to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.; McSweeney seconded. All in favor.

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Donna Bagni
Chair