

## BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

June 19, 2017

**PRESENT:** Donna Bagni (Chair), Gail McSweeney (Member, Sheila Landy (Secretary), and Amy Rusinak (dental hygienist). Mr. Fine was absent due to illness. (Exhibit A)

At 6:30 pm Chair Bagni opened the meeting and 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 proceedings produced in the minutes of the meeting. All comments made in open session will and are being recorded."*

Payroll was signed.

### Minutes

The minutes from June 5, 2017 were not signed as Mr. Fine was absent and Ms. McSweeney did not attend the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Correspondence** - There was not any correspondence discussed.

### Old Business

Health Agent Updates – Landy updated the Board

*Sanitary Code Violations at Three Commercial Locations*

Pembroke Hospital has no change in status. Repairs should be completed by April, 2018.

The second commercial property (Oak Street) is still undergoing site review.

The 3rd commercial property (Riverside Drive) with septic issues is being pumped regularly and a solution to the problem is being worked on.

*Sanitary Code Violations at a private home*

No new violations

*Board of Health Office Activity*

Office activity continues to be high. Lots of inquiries for properties, fish kills, trash, recycling.

There are a lot of unique inquiries. Pond testing has started (so far so good).

*Manure Complaint, Priscilla Drive*

Cullity checked it Friday and the pile is nearly indiscernible from the top of the homeowner's property. Bagni went by mid-week and was happy with the progress being made.

*Resident with medical prescription problem*

Resident had a prescription filled for what used to be an inexpensive drug. It is now \$700 for two pills. The resident was hoping we could start the wheels turning to get the FDA to step in to determine the reason for the higher prices. The Board said it was beyond their control.

*Pembroke Local Regulation Upgrades Topics Discussion:*

Should we raise the animal license fees? No fee for 1-9 chickens? Max fee of \$25?

Bagni tabled this to the next meeting (July 10, 2017).

*Pembroke Local Regulation Upgrades Next Topic:*

Should we be requiring a soil test with Title V examinations? Many towns do.

Bagni tabled this to the next meeting (July 10, 2017).

MAHB letter to Governor Baker regarding the Health Risks of a Natural Gas pipeline.

Bagni made a motion to sign the letter. No one seconded the motion and it died on the floor.

Plastic Bag Update

Mr. Fine was absent. Bagni brought in a compostable plastic bag from Stop and Shop.

McSweeney requested we try to find the cost of the bag.

### New Business

43 Kings Terrace – Rockwood Design called at 4:00pm to reschedule to July 10, 2017.

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Paul Whitman – Bagni made a motion to vote for the re-appointment of Paul Whitman to the Drainage Commission. McSweeney seconded and all were in favor. Chair Bagni intends to attend the Board of Selectmen's meeting on Monday, June 26, 2017 to deliver the Board of Health's vote. Bagni signed a letter stating the BoH's intention in the event she cannot attend the BoS meeting.

### Fluoride in our Water

Amy Rusinak, a Registered Dental Hygienist, asked to speak to the Board about fluoride. Rusinak heard the Board was discussing Fluoride at previous meetings and stopped by to address the Board. While fluoride and Rusinak were not on the Agenda, the Chair allowed her to speak about the benefits of fluoride in the water.

Next meeting currently scheduled for July 10, 2017.

At 7:06pm, Bagni made a motion to adjourn. McSweeney seconded and all were in favor.

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Donna Bagni  
Chair

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Gail McSweeney  
Member

### Exhibits

- A. Attendance Sign-in Sheet