

MINUTES OF THE PEMBROKE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

August 9, 2023 at 5:30pm

Board of Health Office, Town Hall Room #5

PRESENT: Adam Gedutis (Chair), Matt Newman (Clerk), Maureen Jasie (Member), Lisa Cullity (Health Agent, Susan and James McKay (Livestock Violation), and Lauren Cushing (Livestock Regulations).

Adam Gedutis opened the meeting at 5:38pm and read the statement about the audio recording of the Meeting.

BOARD APPOINTMENT 5:45 – Discuss and possible vote Adams Ave Livestock Regulation Violation

- Noisy Rooster before 7:00am / 8:00am
- Unregistered Livestock
- Livestock may not be kept next to public water bodies. Part I, Section F

The livestock owner, Christopher Menchin did not appear. He has not responded to any letters sent to his home from the Board of Health. Susan and James McKay (complainants) told the Board their neighbor's coop is at most 22 feet from their house and 28 feet from their bedroom window. Every morning at 4:00am and 5:30am, they are awoken by the rooster. James McKay stated the coop is around 40' from Oldham Pond. The Agent said all violations have been confirmed. McKay stated the chickens are free-ranging and are in their yard daily.

Newman made a motion for the Health Agent to issue a seven day compliance order for all violations to be delivered by hand and also by certified mail. If, after 7 days there is still no compliance, fines will be issued at \$50 per day per violation (Livestock Regulations Part 2, Section N). Jasie seconded and all were in favor.

BOARD ACTION ITEM – Vote to accept the Minutes of July 19, 2023.

The Chair asked if everyone had a chance to read the minutes. Jasie moved to accept the minutes for July 19, 2023 as written, Newman seconded, and all were in favor.

BOARD ACTION ITEM – **Review Approved Changes thus far (Preamble through Part I, Part VI) **

Consider font and spacing changes

Part II – Buildings, etc.

The Agent stated most of this had been covered. She told the Board the Secretary spoke to the state regarding eggs and chickens and testing. The Board will go through the Booklet and discuss at the next meeting.

BOARD ACTION ITEM – Maureen Jasie - Shared Collaborative Meeting Board Update and any necessary vote.

Cullity missed the last meeting. The Marshfield Collaborative met August 2, 2023 via Zoom. They had a special guest, Michael Hicks of Relavent Systems. He demonstrated their software for Inspections, Food-Code Pro which appears to be approved by the state. The purchase of the iPads and the wish list of items for shared services was discussed at the previous meeting. However, a decision was made by the Marshfield program manager to not purchase the wish list items which led to a discussion of the IMA (Inter-Municipal Agreement). The group decided they need to focus on finalizing the IMA to eliminate confusion. Hanover is considering not joining due to the inconsistencies in the IMA. The Board agreed the focus for the Collaboration should be to iron out the IMA

BOARD DISCUSSION – Future Meeting date tentatively August 23, 2023, 5:30pm. Subject to change.

BOARD DISCUSSION ITEM – Discuss adding link to the Town website pointing to AA as Marshfield does. The problem is vetting various organizations. Only non-profit? A bulletin board. The Agent suggested Jasie ask the leader of the collaborative what services/agencies does the Collaborative want to link to?

HEALTH AGENT REPORT

Walk up business for general help is up.

Perk tests and Septic Inspections remain low.

Center St – no change

Tick Kits – if we want something more substantial, we will need a funding source.

Parking at Public Beaches has been forwarded to the Selectboard and Town Manager Office.

Right to Farm signs – The Town Manager has the request but there needs to be a funding source.

The skating rink is in process of getting proper licensing with the Health Department and Selectboard.

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Well Permitting – Secretary has been working with the DPW to close some outstanding applications and develop a better system.

Oldham St Beaver – As of the date of this meeting, the Town Manager has not decided a course of action. Beaver Management Solutions was the front running company that has an under-water sluice way. The handling of this problem as it is now is not in the scope of the Board of Health. The Board discussed options for legally hunting beaver.

Newman made a motion to adjourn, Jasie Seconded and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:09pm.

FUTURE BUSINESS

Webby Engineering Variance request for Alvern Rd

Update on School St Peacocks

A rooster problem on Mountain Ave

Well permitting will be at future meeting.

Part III, Section A - Poultry.

Jasie made a motion to adjourn. Newman seconded and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:59pm.