

Board Members

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TOWN OF MEDWAY COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Date/Time of Meeting: Monday, April 3rd, 2023

Location of Meeting: Medway Public Library, 26 High Street

Committee Members Roll Call and in Attendance: Jack Mill ☒ Khalid Abdi ☐ Katherine Tonelli ☒ Leanne Harris ☒ Caryn Smith ☒

Visitors Present:

Town Employees Present: Derek Kwok, Justin Tucker

Call to Order: 5:30pm

Minutes Review: March 20th: Approved with revisions

Agenda Item 1:
13 Hill Street
(Sodium Private Well
Variance Request)

The Board discussed and acknowledged that the sodium levels were high but not considered dangerous for the majority of the population.

Mr. Mill made a motion to grant the variance, seconded by Ms. Smith, and approved by all.

Agenda Item 2:
2 Dover Lane
(Title V Redesign)

Mr. Kwok stated this was a previously approved plan, but has been redesigned. Mr. Kwok has checked the new plans and stated everything was in order.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved by all.

Agenda Item 3:
6 Juniper Road
(Title V System Repair
– Local Upgrade
Approval)

Mr. Kwok stated that they submitted a new plan with an Eljen system. There has been an application submitted for a local upgrade approval for 12 inches of separation between estimated height groundwater and inlet and outlet T's, which need to be water tight. Everything else seems to be in order.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Smith, and approved by all.

Agenda Item 4:
32 Summer Street
(Irrigation Well)

Mr. Kwok stated everything is in order for the Board of Health side of things. Plans have been submitted to Conservation and full proof of abutter notifications need to be provided.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve on condition the plans are given approval by Conservation and abutter, seconded by Ms. Smith, and approved by all.

Agenda Item 5:
The Pumpkin Farm
(Food Retail Permit)

Mr. Kwok stated they have been in operation for a while. There is no food preparation on site, just frozen packages. Everything is in order with the permit.

Mr. Mill made a motion to grant the permit, seconded by Ms. Harris, approved by all.

Agenda Item 6:
11 Clark Street
(Farm Animal Permit
for 20 Chickens)

Mr. Kwok stated that the application has been submitted.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved by all.

Agenda Item 7:
20 Pond Street
(Farm Animal Permit
for 12 Chickens)

Mr. Kwok stated that the permit is in hand.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved by all.

Agenda Item 8:
35 Milford Street
(Farm Animal Permits
for 5 Chickens)

Mr. Kwok stated that the permit is in hand.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved by all.

Agenda Item 9:
9 Autumn Road
(Farm Animal Permit
for 6 Chickens)

Mr. Kwok stated that the application is in hand.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved by all.

Agenda Item 10:
1 Fawn Road
(Farm Animal Permit
for 10 Chickens)

Mr. Kwok stated that the application is in hand.

Mr. Mill made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Smith, approved by all.

Discussion:

1. Tobacco Regulation Changes - First draft of the regulations was presented to the Board of Health. The Board discussed the changes and Mr. Kwok clarified any questions members had about them. Mr. Kwok stated that the regulations draft will also be shared with tobacco retailers for their thoughts and opinions.
2. Animal Regulations - Agricultural Committee gave their feedback. Tabled until a representative from the Agricultural Committee can attend the next meeting.
3. Ms. Harris brought up old business about building bat houses to address mosquito issues. She talked to Parks and Conservation about where to build. They would approve once they know the location. Ms. Harris plans to talk to the boy scouts to see if they'd like to take on the building of the bat houses as a project.

Committee Member
Roll Call to
Complete Meeting:

Jack Mill ☒ Khalid Abdi ☐ Katherine Tonelli ☒
Leanne Harris ☒ Caryn Smith ☒

Next Meeting Date: Monday, May 1st, 2023

Adjourn: 6:44pm

Respectfully submitted by Justin Tucker