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TOWN OF MEDWAY

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Date/Time of Meeting: Monday, November 22, 2021

Location of Meeting: ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/Pg4wRT-q80nrjENax3jTf3FvIDoQuvjM7JENQqMOkdcWP50j4qoA2l1Ef3fhnpwo.GV8KSd49l6ZlXDZN>

Committee Members Present: Eric Lindstrom (C), Jack Mill (VC), Khalid Abdi, Leanne Yarosh-Harris\,

Katherine Tonelli

Visitors Present: Olivia Dufour, Cheryl Sbarra, Olivia Dufour

Town Employees Present: Beth Hallal, Michelle Cahoon, Kelly O'Brien

Call to Order: 5:33 PM

Minutes Review: No minutes to review as the previous meeting was deemed "void" due to the agenda not having been added to the calendar prior to the meeting date.

Agenda Item 1:
 Tobacco Sting Fine
 Review (Mobile Gas
 Station)

Ms. Dufour provided a detailed review of the tobacco compliance check that took place at the Mobil gas station which resulted in the owners being fined for an employee selling cigarettes to a minor. A store enforcement form was sent out to all committee members on this day, November 22. Ms. Sbarra, the Executive Director of the Massachusetts Association of Health Boards, introduced herself to the committee. Ms. Sbarra detailed for the committee members the Massachusetts law, Act to Modernize Tobacco Control; outlined the new fining structure put in place by the legislature; and discussed specifically the fines given per number of offenses. The owners of the Mobile gas station were fined \$1000. Ms. Sbarra stated that local Boards of Health serve as "fact finders"; however, can only increase fines. Ms. Jabour spoke to the Board, as she did in a previous meeting, acknowledging the mistake that was made by the employee and the hardship that this fine creates. The committee members discussed the best way forward to enforce the fine but to also acknowledge the owners remorse and commitment to be good stewards in the community.

Mr. Mill made a motion to assess the fine for \$1000 to be paid over 15 years with 0 interest beginning on January 1, 2022 and ending December 21, 2037. Mr. Lindstrom seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 3-1 vote.

Action Item: Ms. Hallal to provide to Ms. Jabour the payment information.

Ms. Sbarra and Ms. Dufour departed the meeting at 6:08 pm

Agenda Item 2:
 Annual Permit
 Review (this year)

Ms. Hallal asked the committee members for their permission to allow herself and Ms. O'Brien to review and make determinations on permits.

Mr. Mill made a motion to give permission to Ms. Hallal and Ms. O'Brien to sign off on permits. Mr. Lindstrom seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item 3:
 Septic Repair
 51 West Street

Ms. Hallal reached out to the engineer to ask about the change in plans for the repair. The engineer has yet to respond. Ms. Hallal moves to table the agenda item until communication is received.

Agenda Item 4: New Septic System: 23 B Summer Street	<p>Ms. Hallal informed committee members that this project is new construction (4 bedroom) and has been approved by conservation. Ms. Hallal recommends that the BOH approve.</p> <p><i>Mr. Mill made a motion to approve the new septic system from 23 B Summer Street. Ms. Yarosh-Harris seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.</i></p>
Pool Inspection and Permit Fees	<p>Ms. Hallal informed the BOH members that 2 new, semipublic pools are slated to go in in Medway. Ms. Hallal is the responsible party to inspect pools.</p>
Covid 19 Clinic November 29th,2021 5-11 yo	<p><i>Action Item: Board of Health to discuss and research comparable towns to determine permit fees.</i></p> <p>Ms. Hallal informed the BOH members that a Covid 19 vaccination clinic will take place on November 29th from 3-6 pm at the middle school for 5- 11 yo population. The schools are scheduled to send out information to parents on November 23rd. Ms. Hallal informed the BOH members that 170 children were vaccinated at the last clinic and that she does not have any information on adverse effects from the vaccine. Ms. Yarosh-Harris stated that she saw Facebook posts which thanked the BOH in helping to put the clinic together; however, it should be corrected to read “thank you to the Medway Health Department”</p> <p><i>Action Item: Ms. Hallal to look into the posts and emails to better understand who was sharing this messaging.</i></p> <p>Ms. Yarosh Harris asked Ms. Hallal if the antibody information has been posted on the town website. Ms. Hallal replied that Ms. O’Brien continues to be working with IT on this.</p> <p><i>Action Item: Ms. Hallal speak to Ms. O’Brien and email BOH members with update.</i></p>
Volunteer Appreciation:	<p>On December 13th from 6-8pm, members of the BOH are invited to attend the Volunteer Appreciation event.</p>
Close of Meeting:	<p>Mr. Lindstrom made a motion to end the meeting at 6:29pm. Mr. Mill seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.</p>
Next Meeting:	<p>December 6th and 20th at 5:30pm via ZOOM.</p>