

**TOWN OF WINCHENDON
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, February 05, 2018
Town Hall, 4th Floor Conference Room
109 Front St., Winchendon, MA 01475

WINCHENDON TOWN CLERK

Present:

Lionel Cloutier, Chairman
James Abare, Board Of Health Agent
Brian Croteau, Member
Jason Gauthier, Member
Corey Wilson, Member

Katie Broome, Recording Secretary

Absent:

Edward Bond, Member

List of Documents Presented At Meeting:

- N/A
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7:00PM Town Hall Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Chairman Lionel Cloutier, and all stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Chairman Cloutier brought forward the minutes from the Board Of Health meeting of January 08, 2017 to be approved by the board. Chairman Cloutier mentioned that these minutes would require a correction under invoices from rabies vaccinations to Inspector Pay. Mr. Croteau moved to approve these minutes with this change, and Mr. Gauthier seconded the motion.

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON:Y

Food Permits:

- *Immaculate Heart of Mary*, fee waived

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON:Y

- *The Winchendon School*, fee paid.

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON:Y

- *Friend's Garden*, fee paid.

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON:Y

- *Not Just Produce*, fee paid.

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON:Y

- *Rite Aid*, fee paid.

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier

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- *Murdock Middle/High School*, fee waived

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Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier
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- *Memorial School*, fee waived.

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier
CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON: Y

- *Toy Town Elementary School*, fee waived.

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier
CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON: Y

- *Wendell P. Clark Memorial*, request fee waiver for public building.

Moved To Approve: Mr. Croteau Seconded: Mr. Gauthier
CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON: Y

Invoices:

- \$100.00 bill from Westford Vet Emergency Center for rabies testing. . Mr. Croteau moved to approve the payment of the stipend. Mr. Gauthier seconded the motion.

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON: Y

- \$69.55 bill for Mr. Jim Abare for mileage to Worcester Housing Court for the property of 41 Juniper St., and for the Montachusett Public Health Network Meeting. Mr. Croteau moved to approve the payment of the stipend. Mr. Gauthier seconded the motion.

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON: Y

- \$800.00 bill for Animal Inspector Pay, for 2 inspections at \$400.00 a piece. Mr. Croteau moved to approve the payment for this bill, Mr. Gauthier seconded the motion.

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON: Y

- \$75.00 to pay Recording Secretary, upon receiving updated minutes. Mr. Croteau motioned to approve. Mr. Gauthier seconded the motion.

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON: Y

Public Forum For Recreational Marijuana Zoning Bylaws:

Director of Development, Tracy Murphy, has put together a Public Forum to discuss the zoning of recreational marijuana establishments on February 20, 2018, in the Winchendon Town Hall second floor auditorium, so that Winchendon residents can discuss where, when, and how recreational marijuana can be sold within the town limits.

New Business:

Members Running For Re-Election

Chairman Cloutier and Mr. Gauthier will both be running for another term with the Board of Health.

Earth Day

Unfortunately, the Board of Health, nor the Town of Winchendon, have funds available for a dumpster, or a collecting vehicle for any Earth Day activity. Chairman Cloutier urges anyone with an idea for a means of gaining these funds, or with an alternate Earth Day activity to suggest, to contact the Board of Health.

Complaints

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Mr. Croteau has received complaints of loose garbage in the plaza parking lot in front of Family Dollar and Subway, as well as in the back of the Valero Gas Station/Gourmet Donuts building, where an old shack was torn down, and a lot of garbage remained. Mr. Croteau referred to Mr. Abare, who would be contacting these businesses to address the issue.

Soil Evaluation Line Item

Mr. Croteau raised the issue of a soil evaluation line item that saves local homeowner's money at the expense of the town. When the homeowners receive a variance on a soil evaluation, the town often has to outsource the soil inspection, which costs around \$150.00 per inspection. Mr. Croteau would like to see this fee reimbursed by the homeowner as a second line item. This would save the town money, by having the homeowner pay the inspection fee, and the homeowner would still save money by not needing to pay for the materials.

Mr. Croteau motioned to institute a policy change for soil testing, so the homeowner is responsible for an outside surveyor to come in for \$150.00 fee per inspection. Mr.

Gauthier seconded the motion.

CLOUTIER: Y CROTEAU: Y GAUTHIER: Y WILSON:Y

Open Discussion:

Animal Inspector Pay Explanation

Mr. Abare explained to the Board that the two separate Animal Inspector invoice, as listed above \$800 for 2 inspections, \$400 apiece, was due to Winchendon and Templeton sharing the costs of the animal inspector, and that, which it looks like the town of Winchendon is paying double the line item, Templeton is paying half, to the town of Winchendon, which negates overpaying on this line item.

41 Juniper St.

The Board of Health established that the property of 41 Juniper St., Winchendon, MA is now in the courts hands, and the receiver has been up a couple of times, to allow the inhabitants into the home to retrieve some belongings, as well as to re-secure the property. Mr. Croteau mentioned that the neighboring property owner had shown interest in purchasing the property, to which Mr. Abare responded that any such purchase would be taking place between that individual and the receiver. Mr. Croteau also noted that the property across the street was also being vacated. Mr. Abare stated that the property was being repaired for water damage due to a frozen pipe.

GVNA

Mr. Croteau spoke to the Winchendon Fire Department, which had just received a grant that would allow them to do clinics and possibly replace the Gardner Visiting Nurses, and may allow the town to save money, and asked that the Board look into doing so.

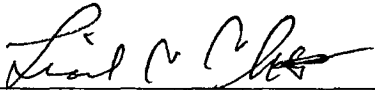
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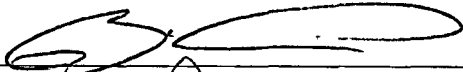
Chairman Cloutier moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40PM. Mr. Croteau seconded the motion.

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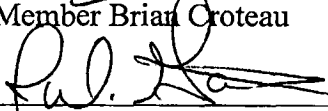


Chairman Lionel Cloutier

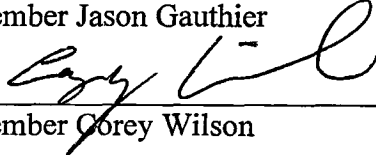
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