

TOWN OF WINCHENDON

BOARD OF HEALTH

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MEETING MINUTES BOARD OF HEALTH February 1, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Lionel Cloutier, Jason Moury, Diane Cosentino and Jason

Gauthier

Absent: Edward Bond

MATERIALS: Meeting Agenda February 1, 2016

Minutes January 4, 2016

Permits Invoice

CHNA 9 Sheet

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03pm

PLEDGE

<u>MINUTES:</u> A motion was made by Diane Cosentino to approve the minutes of January 4, 2016. The motion was seconded by Jason Gauthier.

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Jason Moury informed the board that Joann Hamlett the Tobacco Agent is unable to attend this meeting as scheduled.

<u>Chelsey Patriss-CHNA Coordinator:</u> Ms. Patriss came forward. She said the Community Health Network Area 9 is a coalition of individuals and organizations from 27 cities and towns in North Central Massachusetts who share a mission to promote health equity in our region. She said why we are developing a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) is because we believe that by developing a comprehensive Community Health Improvement Plan our collective

impact will move the needle much further and much faster than any of our organizations could alone. She said priority areas which were identified as a result of CHIP are healthy living, mental/behavioral health and substance abuse, transportation/access and domestic violence/child and family issues. She said by pooling resources an advantage is we can compete united as a region. Jason Moury asked other than joining the task force how would we promote work that you are doing. Ms. Patriss said on March 10th there is a quarterly meeting from 2 to 4 that will be held at Fidelity Bank in Leominster. She said we do training, workshops and give out grants up to \$2,000. Jason Moury said this is how money can come in to help our community. He thanked Ms. Patriss for attending the meeting. Ms. Patriss said anyone who would like to be involved in a work group meeting it will be every couple of months and she does weekly emails of activity that is going on.

Q & A with Town Manager, Keith Hickey: Mr. Hickey said he has been here for six weeks. He said the majority of his professional life has been working in municipal government. He said he will do his part to make a difference and provide support and give information. Jason Moury gave a background of what the program MPHN is about. He said they can help us with grants and if Mr. Abare takes vacation they can provide us with backup. He said town services wouldn't stop. He said he got a fee structure from them. The yearly fee is \$500.00. Jason Moury asked if he thought it would be beneficial. Mr. Hickey said it makes a lot of sense. He said it should be explored. Jason Moury said this is not replacing Mr. Abare. Mr. Hickey said the Health Agent deserves a vacation but residents still need services. He said the \$500.00 fee is immaterial. He said he would propose putting \$500.00 in the Health budget.

Jason Moury said the fee schedule is very minimal and the board would be looking at it. Mr. Hickey said he would look at fees from other towns because you don't want to charge more then you need to. He said the suggestions for fees would be brought before the Board of Selectmen.

Chairman Cloutier said we haven't updated fees in six years. He also said we don't have a contract for GVNA. He said they provide limited services for \$8,500 a year. Jason Moury said GVNA provides the same service since the 70's. We receive a standard bill and pay the same amount of money. He said we only have a flu clinic once a year. Mr. Hickey said costs go down because they don't provide the same service or make them more aggressive. Jason Moury said they report disease but we have other services for flu clinics. He said we have voiced our concerns with them. He said he would like one representative from the board with Mr. Abare to work with Mr. Hickey to negotiate the contract. A motion was made by Jason Gauthier to have the Chairman appoint the member of the board to work with Mr. Abare and Mr. Hickey to negotiate on details a contract with GVNA. The motion was seconded by Jason Moury.

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Mr. Hickey said determine what services you want then we can sit down and come up with an agreement.

Mr. Hickey said we can provide someone for administrative support. We have volunteers. He said he can't commit to anything at this time. He said we will try to provide the best we can.

Chairman Cloutier asked if the \$800 is in the budget for the Animal Health Inspector. He said we would like it to be in the budget permanently. Jason Moury said it is not a line item under the Board of Health. Mr. Hickey said if it belongs there then that's where it will be.

Chairman Cloutier commented about an increase in tobacco fees from \$75 to \$100. Mr. Hickey said when the board reviews fees they should look at the fee schedule.

Jason Moury said he is noticing an increase in Hepatitis C in the town. Mr. Hickey asked if he knew the cause. Jason Moury said it's speculation on our part. He said there are drug issues in all the communities. He said we did a Lyme disease program last year. Mr. Hickey said use the town website to provide information and also the Facebook page. He said you can use its resources and you can promote what you're doing and get your message known.

Chairman Cloutier said he went to a Select Board meeting and asked for a joint meeting on March 14th to discuss the pipeline in detail. He said the proposed pipeline is one and a half miles away from the school. He said the proposed pipeline is by Hannaford's. Jason Moury said it can have a potential financial impact. Mr. Hickey said he has dealt with pipeline expansion before and his opinion is that they are going thru motions; they can say what we are required to do and what we have done. Mr. Hickey was thanked by the board.

GVNA REPORT DECEMBER 2015-JANUARY 2016: Jason Moury said he spoke with the Health Agent about Lyme disease. He said we need better reporting and better testing. He said it shows up at this time of year. He said we are thinking of reaching out to UMass Amherst to do research on this. Diane Cosentino said education is the biggest thing to prevent. Jason Moury said at the Summer Solstice we could have a booth. He said we need to reach out to the Mass Department of Public Health.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Cloutier said he would like to thank the staff at Toy Town Elementary. They did an outstanding job concerning the clean up with the potential Nor Virus. Jason Moury echoed the sentiments. They also thanked the bus drivers and Mr. Abare who did an excellent job.

FOOD PERMITS: Mr. Mike's Market permit #1604 \$100 fee paid-A motion was made by Diane Cosentino to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Jason Gauthier. CLOUTIER(Y) MOURY(Y) COSENTINO(Y) GAUTHIER(Y)

Subway permit #1605-\$100 Fee has been paid and no problems noted-A motion was made by Jason Gauthier to approve the food permit #1605 for Subway. The motion was seconded by Diane Cosentino.

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Memorial School permit #1606 no fee -A motion was made by Jason Gauthier to approve the permit #1606 for Memorial School. The motion was seconded by Diane Cosentino.

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Murdock Middle/High School permit #1606 no fee-A motion was made by Diane Cosentino to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Jason Gauthier.

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Toy Town Elementary School permit #1608 no fee-A motion was made by Diane Cosentino to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Jason Gauthier.

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Toy Town Pub permit #1604 \$100 fee no violations-A motion to approve the permit was made by Jason Gauthier. The motion was seconded by Diane Cosentino.

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Vin Lozano Imports Inc. #1609 \$100 fee no violations noted by Health Agent-A motion was made by Jason Gauthier to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Lionel Cloutier.

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Friend's Garden permit #1610 \$100 fee no violations noted by Health Agent-A motion was made by Jason Gauthier to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Diane Cosentino. It was noted that there was no Safe Serve Certificate in the file.

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Hydeaway Farms permit #1611 fee paid-A motion to approve the permit was made by Jason Gauthier. The motion was seconded by Diane Cosentino.

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<u>INVOICES:</u> Bailey Test Strips & Thermometers-A motion to pay Bailey's \$53.00 was made by Diane Cosentino. The motion was seconded by Jason Gauthier.

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A motion was made by Jason Gauthier to approve to pay the Board of Health Recording Secretary \$75.00. The motion was seconded by Lionel Cloutier.

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<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u> Approval of Letter to Transfer Station Personnel-Chairman Cloutier read the letter. A motion to approve the letter was made by Diane Cosentino. The motion was seconded by Jason Gauthier.

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<u>MEMBERS COMMENTS:</u> Diane Cosentino asked if the Tobacco Agent rescheduled. Chairman Cloutier said she will let us know when she is available.

CALL TO ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Jason Moury to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jason Gauthier.

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Debra Dennis Board of Health Secretary

Minutes Approved 3/2/16

Chairman Lionel Cloutier

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Jason Gauthier

Jason Moury

Diane Cosentino