

ACUSHNET BOARD OF HEALTH PUBLIC MEETING

JANUARY 16, 2024

PRESENT: David M Davignon, Chairman
Robert Medeiros, Inspector
Joseph Correia, Health Agent
Wanda Hamer, Senior Clerk

ABSENT: Patrick Hannon, Asst Agent
Thomas J Fortin, Clerk

5:04 P.M. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to open the meeting, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, both were in favor, motion carries 2-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Community Nurse and Home Care Statistics for November and December 2023. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to place on file, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, motion carries, 2-0.

Letter to Annette Mello, 5 Tillie Way, regarding animal regulation. Agent Correia updated the board that this was an issue with chickens having free range and now they are contained. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to file, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, motion carries, 2-0.

Letter received from residents on Leonard Street (agenda read Lake that was an error) regarding nitrogen reduction septic systems. Agent Correia informed the board this issue is starting to surface again and the state is trying to find out how many SAS are causing nitrogen into the river. Chairman Davignon expressed he is not in favor because there is no way how can you determine if New Bedford sewer is not also dumping into the river. And has no desire to support either of the ideas to force this issue. Mr. Medeiros mentioned that years ago they did a dye testing along the river banks and only found a few spots. Agent Correia informed the board that Selectman Wojnar reached out to Senator Montigny and he submitted a letter to the Neighborhood News and they wrote an article basically stating the he was not in favor of enforcing this to any Acushnet resident. More discussion ensued about the nitrogen and how it can't be pointed to any one town within the area of the river. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to place on file, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carries 2-0.

APPROVE MINUTES

October 3, 2023 – only Dave & Tom were at this meeting. Chairman Davignon made a motion to table till Mr. Fortin is at meeting, Mr. Medeiros seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carries 2-0.

November 21, 2023 Mr. Medeiros made a motion to approve the minutes, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carries 2-0.

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APPROVE SEPTIC DESIGN PLANS

84 A Middle Road – Deborah Borden

Septic repair plan. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to approve the plan as read but adding a clean out to the center of the 50ft mark on 100ft pipe, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carries 2-0.

312 Main Street – Brodeur Family Big House Realty

Septic repair plan. 1. Waiver requested from the effluent filter and vent requirement, enviro-tech system manual recommends no effluent filter and for a candy cane type vent w/ no charcoal filter. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to approve the plan as read, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carries 2-0.

DISCUSSION

Public Health Excellence Training Hub Lead Trainer, Derek Macedo. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to table till next meeting, all were in favor, motion carries, 2-0.

Schedule next meeting – February 27, 2024

Resignation of Part Time Health Agent Patrick Hannon. Chairman Davignon informed the public Mr. Hannon's job is a union position and because it's a union position the Board is not required to take any action. We the board, want to thank Mr. Hannon for his service to the town as he has taken a job closer to his home.

5:26 P.M. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to adjourn, Chairman Davignon seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carries 2-0.

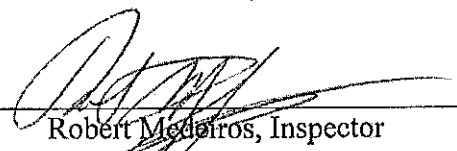
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David M Davignon, Chairman

Absent

Thomas J Fortin, Clerk



Robert Medeiros, Inspector

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