

NORTH ATTLEBORO BOARD OF HEALTH

Meeting Minutes of
April 27, 2010 6:00 pm
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In attendance: Don Bates, Chairman; John Donohue Jr., Jonathan Maslen, Members; Agent: Robert Davis

Visitors: Susan Callahan of Goodies; Dylan Ribeiro of Ribeiro Enterprises; Jill Houck of Flour Girls Bakery Co.; Andrew Hatch from New World Hot Sauce; Michele Bernier, Director of the Landfill Department.

Chairman Don Bates opened the meeting at 6:02 PM.

LICENSES:

Susan Callahan came before the Members to answer questions regarding her application for a Retail Food license for Goodies/ dba goodies homemade. Com to be at the Farmer's Market.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to grant Goodies a Retail Food license for the Farmer's Market. Seconded: Mr. Bates. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 2-0.

Dylan Ribeiro came before the Members to answer questions regarding his application for a Disposal Works Installer license.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to grant Dylan Ribeiro a Disposal Works Installer license. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

Jill Houck of Flour Girls Bakery Co. came before the Members to answer questions regarding her application for a Retail Food license for the Farmer's Market.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to grant a Retail Food license for Flour Girls Bakery Co. for the Farmer's Market. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0

Andrew Hatch came before the Members to answer questions regarding his application for a Retail Food license for New World Hot Sauce for the Farmer's Market.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to grant a Retail Food license for New World Hot Sauce for the Farmer's Market. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

TRASH RECYCLING REGULATIONS:

Landfill Director, Michele Bernier came before the Members to answer questions regarding the Trash Recycling Program and the regulations for residential as well as commercial. There are 8000 service customers in the town. Ms. Bernier added a new paragraph to the regulations that includes the regulations are inhabited to preserve public and environmental health. The regulations are basically to tell the haulers that if they are working in North Attleboro, they need to provide their customers with a combined trash and recycling system. The Members will review and vote on the final version then hold a Public Meeting.

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to accept the minutes of April 13, 2010 as written. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. No discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Septic Regulations

A revised draft of updated Septic Regulations is not yet ready for the Members' review.

Floor Drain Regulations

A final draft of Floor Drain Regulations is nearly ready for the Members' review.

e-Cigarettes

The e-Cigarettes Regulations states that the selling of e-cigarettes to minors is prohibited.

Mr. Davis has sent an email to D J Wilson, the Attorney for MA Municipal Associate who provided him with the original model which now needs some modification.

SUV Repairs

Chief Gould had the SUV moved from Rodman Ford to another dealer to get a second opinion for repairs to vehicle. Mr. Davis consulted with the Town Administrator on how to deal with an \$5,000. invoice to put the vehicle back on the road and he suggested an article for the Special Town Meeting.

The Board of Health is scheduled to meet with the FINCOM Wednesday evening on articles for Town Meeting. The Town Accountant recommended a Reserve Fund Transfer request to make the repairs needed for the SUV. The office received an unforeseen invoice for \$13.04 for advertising surplus of the 94' Ford Ranger truck in which the department does not have the money to pay. More money is needed in the budget for postage.

Petition Articles

The Health Department has three town meeting articles to present to the FINCOM on Wednesday evening. 1) \$5,000. For the repairs to the 2007 Ford Expedition, 2) Renewal for the FY 11 of the Emergency Fund under section 53E1/2, 3) to collect fines & forfeitures under section 53E1/2. Mr. Davis met with the Town Accountant to discuss the article to collect fines & forfeitures and she is in favor of the article. It was suggested that Mr. Davis should ask Town Accountant for a statement of support for the article to collect fines & forfeitures.

Flood Update

Mr. Davis informed the Members that we continue to appreciate the generosity of the Department of Public Works allowing us to work out of their public meeting room however, it is not a workable arrangement for the Health Department. The staff is anxious to go back to Town Hall and get everything back in order.

COMPLAINT LOG:

60 High Street

Ernest Smither, the owner of 60 High Street appeared in court for non-compliance of housing issues and had not paid the fine. Mr. Smither has agreed to reschedule an inspection with Mr. Davis. The owner would then have to return to court and pay the fine.

119 East Street Apt#3

The tenant who lives at 119 East Street had his Attorney, Gregory Lee subpoena the Health Agent to court on more than one occasion to testify on the housing inspections he has made. Trent Davis the owner of the property has not paid the fines for non-compliance.

251 Reservoir Street

There is an abandoned home at 251 Reservoir Street with the yard littered with trash. Fines up to \$900. have been imposed on the trustee that handles the property.

142 May Street

There are multiple housing issues at 142 May Street. After an inspection by the Health Agent and the owner coming before the Board Members, the yard has finally been cleaned up.

MEETINGS:

The Members agreed to hold their June meetings on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 and Tuesday, June 29, 2010, both at 6:00 PM and hopefully at the Police Facility.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Davis has invited two professors from the University of Illinois in Chicago to attend a Board meeting on June 15,16 and 17 to speak on EDS Planning under a CDC Grant.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Budget

Mr. Davis presented the Members with a copy of the budget sheet for FY 11'. With only the House budget in the town is showing a 2 ¾ percent reduction from last year. The Health Departments' budget so far shows less than 2 ½ percent reduction.

Selectmen's Meeting

The Board of Health Members have been invited to the May 13th Selectmen's Meeting. Representative Betty Poirier will be attending with a group that will be making a substantial donation to Lenore's Pantry.

The Pantry's volunteer, Betty Sargeant is storing some of the food that has been donated since the flood in her sunroom.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, a **MOTION** was made by Mr. Maslen to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. No further discussion, motion passes 3-0.