

**TOWN OF HARDWICK, MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
September 7, 2017**

On Thursday, September 7, 2017 the Board of Health held a meeting at the Municipal Building in Gilbertville, MA.

Chairman Dave Mazeika opened the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Board Members Present: Dave Mazeika, Chairman
 Andrew Swistak, Vice Chairman
 Sherry Patch, Clerk

Health Agent Present: Lois Luniewicz

Public Present: None

Approvals & Signatures:

Meeting Minutes:

The board reviewed and signed off on the meeting minutes for the August 3, 2017 Meeting.

Motion: Sherry Patch
Second: Dave Mazeika
Vote: 3-0

Health Agent Salary

Sherry Patch motioned to approve the Health Agent Salary for August 2017

Motion: S. Patch
Second: D. Mazeika
Vote: 3-0

Activity Report:

The board reviewed the activity report from Lois Luniewicz for July 2017. S. Patch motioned to approve the activity report for July 2017.

Motion: S. Patch
Second: A. Swistak

Vote: 3-0

Fee Schedules

The board agreed to look at suggested changes to fee's after comparing them with neighboring towns. The health agent will make suggestions and the board will re-visit this matter at the next meeting. Motion to carry to the next meeting D. Mazeika.

Motion: D. Mazeika
Second: A. Swistak
Vote: All in Favor

New Business:

184 Hardwick Pond Rd

The board discussed the case and agreed that now that the property owners are living back at the home and the house sitters have left it is up to the owners whether they want to live in these sorts of conditions. It was suggested we invite the property owners in to discuss the fact that whether or not they rent the property or have house sitters watching the property and are accepting money for the services then they are obligated to comply with the housing codes and these individuals are considered tenants. The board will send a certified letter letting the owners know that if they are going to leave and allow people to stay in their home while they're gone they will be expected to comply with housing codes and any violations found will have to be enforced.

Hardwick Fair

The board reviewed and discussed the health agents report in regards to the Hardwick Fair and her suggestions for the fair next year in order to ensure compliance with health and sanitary codes. It was suggested a letter be sent out every year letting groups involved with the fair know about what is required if you are going to host a public dinner. Another suggestion was to invite the chairs and vendors involved with the fair to a Board of Health meeting to discuss with these individuals the expectations for the fair and how to proceed.

Old Business:

Hardwick Farmers Co-Op CSA:

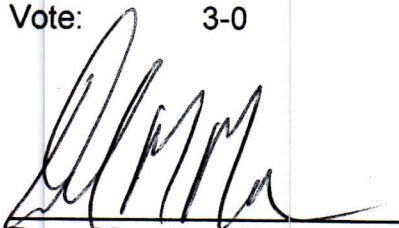
The board discussed the ongoing Farmers Co-Op CSA. It was discussed that the monitoring services are on-going with consultants from StanTec visiting the sites listed for sampling. It was brought up that one residence where testing is required is not currently letting the consultants on the property to take samples. Both the office clerk for the Board and Dave Allwine from StanTec have reached out to these individuals through mailings as well as phone calls and even visiting the residence and knocking on

the door to discuss the matter with the property owners but no one answered. They are still trying to get a hold of the property owners in order to gain access and take samples. An email will be sent to C.Clines at Mass. DEP updating him on the situation and where we currently stand with order given from Mass. DEP.

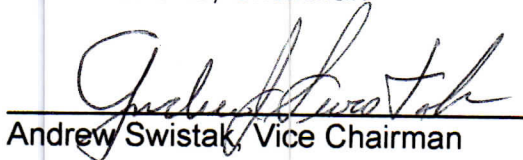
Adjournment:

Andrew Swistak motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 P.M. The next meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2017.

Motion: Dave Mazeika
Second: Sherry Patch
Vote: 3-0



Dave Mazeika, Chairman



Andrew Swistak, Vice Chairman



Sherry Patch, Clerk