

February 8, 2024

## BoH Minutes

Place: Senior Center, Social Hall 6:30pm Thursday

Present: Ben Lipman, Marcy Fleming, Susan Mosler, Margaret Mastrangelo, E. Dragon, Jane Nevinsmith

Absent: Peter Lore

### Agenda:

1. Welcome and call to order: 6:30pm
2. Review of previous minutes: accepted unanimously;
3. Report from HI
  - a. Grad student interning at BoH during the summer doing risk assessment on Hadley food establishments ; no cost to town
  - b. Tatoo and tanning salons establishments: inspections being done; goal is to finish in Feb
  - c. State is trying to get initiative to get all BoH health inspectors FIT certified no later than the end of 2025. Ben will be doing this within the month. All inspectors meet a certain standard – no one has it so far.
  - d. Ben will be undertaking a program to become a registered sanitarium: must accomplish CEUs and training in late Feb. This will require education, test and CEUs. He will be board certified in this.
  - e. Title 5 inspections start March: expecting an increase in permits; Kevin Quinlan will be a back-up. Dragon requests a seasonal option so that developers/builders are not held up from moving forward with plans
  - f. Budget: Ben and Peter are working on this.
4. Report from Town RN
  - a. Continuing to provide educational programs for residents. Attendance ranges from 10-15 residents. Women and Heart Disease topic will be discussed next week. Dragon is available to Marcy to strategize, collaborate and help w/PowerPoints.
5. Budget proposal review (Ben)
  - a. Extend town RN hours to 10/week. Brought before TA but cuts had to happen. No existing programs were cut. There will be a cut in Ben's training and a cut in the 4 additional hours/wk requested for town RN. Still needs to go before the finance committee who is meeting tonight. Ben requests a review of the permit fees that we didn't raise a few years ago. Jane states that there may be room to negotiate additional RN

hours but that the finance committee is focusing on town salaries to ensure competitiveness. Dragon commented that she would like the town not be on the high end of permit fees. Note that the increased fees from the BoH does not go back into the BoH budget

6. Report from admin assistant – deferred until Peter is here
7. Any other business that could not be reasonably anticipated
  - a. Susan discussed the option of increasing nursing hours to 10/wk but as to date, this has not been approved. She would like an accounting from the treasurer for the number of nursing hours BoH has left for this line item. For a period of time, the BoH did not have a town RN so there should be funds left for her to increase her hours between now and the end of this fiscal year. Ben will ask the town treasurer for these details. Motion made to allow Marcy to use the additional hours before the end of this fiscal year. Passed – unanimously

Meeting adjourned 6:52pm

Next meeting:

March 14, 2024 at 6:30pm Senior Center Social Hall