



## Acton Board of Health

Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2019

7:30 P.M.

ROOM 9 , TOWN HALL, 472 MAIN STREET

### **Present:**

Members Present: Dr. William Taylor-Chairman, William McInnis, Joanne Bissetta, Michael Kreuze, and Mark Conoby

Associate Members: Thomas Jacoby and Rekha Singh

Staff Present: Sheryl Ball-Health Director, Weiyuan Sun-Health Administrator

Other Present: Paul Campbell, Peggy Mikkola, Bettina Abe, Melissa Vonohlen and Cole Vonohlen

**Absent:** None

### **1. Opening**

Chair - Dr. William Taylor opened the meeting at 7:34p.m.

### **2. Regular Business**

#### **A. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

On a motion made by Mr. McInnis, seconded by Dr. Jacoby, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Board of Health minutes dated December 21, 2018.

On a motion made by Mr. Kreuze, seconded by Ms. Bissetta, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Board of Health minutes dated January 7, 2019 with corrections.

On a motion made by Mr. McInnis, seconded by Ms. Bissetta, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Board of Health minutes dated January 28, 2019.

#### **B. Other Regular Agenda Items-None**

### **3. New/Special Business**

#### **A. Discussion- West Acton Sewer Project by Paul Campbell**

The Health Department is in receipt of a request from Mr. Paul Campbell, Town of Acton Engineering Department on behalf of West Acton Sewer Project. Mr. Campbell was present to discuss the proposed expansion of the sewer. Mr. Campbell indicated that he is currently working with the model that the Health Department and the Board of Health initially created. Mr. Campbell is continuing to work with Woodard and Curran on this proposed expansion. Mr. Campbell also stated that there will be a public forum on March 14<sup>th</sup> in anticipation of Town Meeting on April 1<sup>st</sup>.



B. Discussion- Acton Right to Farm By -Law by Bettina Abe

The Health Department is in receipt of a request from Ms. Bettina Abe, Town of Acton Natural Resources Department on behalf of Acton Right to Farm By -Law. Ms. Abe, respectfully requests that the Board consider support of the Acton Right to Farm Bylaw. This proposal will be addressed at Town Meeting and is consistent with the goals of the Acton 2014-2021 Open Space and Recreation Plan and the Acton 2020 Master Plan. This plan would also create an Agricultural (Ag) Commission that could help oversee Board of Health complaints in regards to manure. The Board asked if an Ag Commission could be created without the need for the bylaw because of the potential for enforcement concerns. Ms. Abe will bring back information to the Board for the next meeting.

C. Approval- 68-72 Quarry Road

The Health Department is in receipt of a request from Attorney Laura Graham regarding removal of one lot from a previously approved plot of land through a PCRC titled Quarry Road Condominium at 68-72 Quarry Road. The property owner Yee Peet requests to remove Lot 3 from this condominium restriction in order to sell the lot to a private buyer. There is an approved compliant Title 5 proposed septic systems permitted through the Health Department. On a motion made by Mr. McInnis, seconded by Mr. Conoby, the Board unanimously voted to remove Lot 3, 72 Quarry Road from the condominium association.

D. Discussion- Proposed Tobacco and Motel Regulations

The Board continued discussion of the Tobacco and Motel Regulations. The Board suggested some changes and the Health Department will schedule for further discussion prior to scheduling a public hearing.

C. Discussion- Letter- Natural Gas Infrastructure to Governor

The Board continued discussion of the letter to Governor Baker regarding natural gas. The Board approved the edits and asked that a copy be sent to Governor Baker. On a motion made by Mr. Kreuze, seconded by Mr. McInnis, the Board unanimously voted to recommend that the Health Department send the letter to Governor Baker.

4. **Adjournment**

On a motion made by Mr. Conoby, seconded by Kreuze, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 9:06PM.

**Documents and Exhibits Used During this Meeting;**

- Interdepartmental Communication from Engineering Department
- Draft Warrant Article, Acton Right to Farm By-Law
- Draft Warrant Article, Agricultural Commission



- Memo From Sheryl Ball, Removal of Land from Condominium Association
- Warrant Article 18 Draft, Tobacco Regulations
- Warrant Article 21 Draft, Regulations Governing Hotel/Motels
- Draft Letter To Governor Charlie Baker
- Meeting Minutes, December 21, 2018, January 7, 2019 and January 28, 2019

Respectfully Submitted,

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Weiyuan Sun  
Acton Board of Health

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Dr. William Taylor- Chairman,  
Acton Board of Health