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DARTMOUTH BOARD OF HEALTH
DARTMOUTH TOWN HALL - ROOM 315 - 6:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES - Wednesday, October 9, 2019

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DARTMOUTH BOARD OF HEALTH

Board of Health Members Present:

Leslie E.J. McKinley, Chair
Thomas W. Hardman

Absent:

Lynne Brodeur

Representative of the Town Present:

Christopher Michaud, Director of Public Health

The Chair called the public meeting to order at 6:00pm. on October 9, 2019 in Room 315

Appointment:

1. Frank Scott Stevens, 45 Naushon Avenue, Map 86, Lot 11

- No representative on behalf of the applicant was in attendance to present the application. Appointment tabled until next scheduled Board of Health Meeting

2. Saltmarsh Farm, LLC 2013 Federal Food Code Variance- Production of Kombucha Tea

- The applicant, Emily Melgard, was present for the variance request submitted on behalf of Salt Marsh Farm to manufacture kombucha a fermented drink at the local Grange. Mr. Michaud requested that this item be tabled until the next meeting as some concerns need to be addressed with the Dartmouth Grange.

3. 6:20pm Body Art Application – Caleb Fiero

- Caleb Fiero was present to discuss his application for the Body Art Practitioners Permit. Mr. Fiero explained that he will be working with Famous Tattoos located at 643 State Road. Mr. Fiero submitted all associated paperwork and completed all requirements for the aforementioned permit. Mr. Michaud advised the Board the practice has been to require the Public Health Nurse to observe a tattoo session and demonstrate conformance to the Regulations before a permit is issued.

Thomas W. Hardman motioned and Leslie E.J. McKinley seconded to approve the Body Art Practitioners Permit for Caleb Fiero upon the completion of performing a tattoo in the



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presence of the Public Health nurse in conformance with the Body Art Regulations. All members voting in favor.

4. 6:25pm Christine O'Grady Planning Board Master Plan Update

- Ms. O'Grady explained the Master Plan update strategy is to collect data and develop a revised Master Plan by the end of the year. Ms. O'Grady explained that the information collected will help her better understand Dartmouth's needs and how the community sees Dartmouth in years to come. Ms. O'Grady further explained the importance of collection of data, and ideas from Town officials, employees, and the community which will better assist in this planning process. Ms. Grady welcomed all comments from the Board. A discussion ensued on updating the Aquifer Protection area and requirements.

5. 6:30pm Dartmouth Grange

- Maureen Fitzgerald was present to discuss the functions and procedures of the Grange with the Board. Christopher Michaud explained that there have been some issues with permits issued for the production of food at the Dartmouth Grange, and those permitted by the Grange may not using the Grange throughout the course of the permit issued by the Dartmouth Board of Health. Donna Farias, Health and Sanitary Inspector explained to Ms. Fitzgerald that some applicants are advertising products that were not permitted. Thomas W. Hardman asked Ms. Fitzgerald to explain how applicants use the Grange, and the process that the applicant must go through with Ms. Fitzgerald. Mr. Michaud suggested some options to assure compliance with food service regulations which included the following:

1. List of applicant permitted to use the Grange
2. Monthly schedule of who is using the Grange including date, time and vendor name
3. Provide a key fob for the Health and Sanitary Inspector
4. Update the management and operations plan/ service and responsibility checklist

New Business:

A. Septic Plan(s) requiring no actions:

- a. Carol Alfonse, Map 66, Lot 26, 1004 Hixville Road
- b. Apponagansett Properties, LLC. Map 89, Lot 27, 225 Smith Neck Road
- c. Charles Schofield, 479 Collins Corner Road, Map 75, Lot 23
- d. Estate of George A. Salvador, 458 Smith Neck Road, Map 20, Lot 17

B. Septic Plan(s) for Action



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C. **Brandon Woods Monthly Report**

- This was provided for informational use by the Board. No further action at this time.

D. **Monthly Rabies Report**

- Informational use by the Board

E. **Craig Weatherly 153 Gulf Road – Building Permit Signoff**

- Mr. Michaud explained that this location should be connected to sewer and all building department sign offs are pending because the facility is served by a septic system. Mr. Michaud explained that this is not a simple residential connection because of resource areas and a significant number of residential units. The Board did not take any action to sign-off on the cosmetic building permit application prior to connection to sewer.

F. **Fee Schedule Body Art**

- Mr. Michaud discussed the fees for the Body Art Practitioners Permit, and Skin Course. Mr. Michaud made a recommendation to the Board that due to recent applications for new body art practitioners we will be adding a skin course fee of \$120 to the existing fee schedule

G. **Fall Annual Town Meeting Index**

- Information was provided for informational use by the Board. Mr. Michaud noted the zoning article to allow for expanded marijuana cultivation and manufacturing of products as to the only article that may involve the Board of Health at Town Meeting. The cultivation of marijuana is reported to cause nuisance odors and a given the mandate to provide zoning for this activity it is best that the sites are regulated on a special permit basis as is provided and proposed. No further action taken at this time.

H. **MassDEP Organics Subcommittee Meeting**

- Mr. Michaud discussed with the Board that the Organics Subcommittee is proposing revisions to organics diversion that may increase the amount of food waste that is destined for composting sites in this area due to the lack of anaerobic



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digestion. Mr. Michaud reported that he will continue to attend these meetings as this matter is of significant concern to the Town.

I. Approve and Accept the Warrants for the Bills Payable Period Ending: August 2019 – September 2019.

- No information was provided for financial use by the Board. No further action at this time.

Old Business:

A. Complaint Log August 23, 2019 – September 11, 2019 - Informational Use Only

- This was provided for informational use by the Board. No further action at this time.

Minutes

- Minutes for September 16, 2019 will be reviewed during next scheduled meeting when all members are present.

Meeting Schedule

Next meeting:

- October 9, 2019

Discussion for Any Item Not Known 48 Hours in Advance

- None

Board signatures

- None

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:35pm by Leslie E.J. McKinley and seconded by Thomas W. Hardman. All members present voting in favor.



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Attest:

Minutes prepared by
Lindsey Rocha
Administrative Clerk

Leslie E.J. McKinley, Chair

Approved by the Board of Health
on October 28, 2019