



## TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH

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*The Northbridge Board of Health approved these minutes at a meeting held July 17, 2018.*

### MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 19, 2018

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This meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Paul McKeon, Chairman. Other members present were Mr. Chris Cella, Mr. Scott Chase, Ms. Lani Criasia and Mr. Steve Garabedian. Also present was Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Mr. Garabedian to accept the minutes of **May 22, 2018**. Motion seconded by Mr. Cella. The vote was 3-0 in favor; Mr. Chase & Ms. Criasia abstained.

**Quaker Street Landfill:** Mr. McKeon informed the Board that due to elevated levels of 1,4-dioxane at 1201 Quaker Street and MW-2 (Monitoring Well-2), the MassDEP has required that private drinking water wells within 500-feet must also be tested. He stated that Ms. Gniadek consulted with Sovereign Consulting, the engineering firm that the Board uses for their maintenance and monitoring program of the landfill, and in coordination with them sent letters to eleven property owners.

MassDEP also requested that these eleven wells be tested for VOCs, arsenic, barium, lead, manganese and zinc. The collection of water samples occurred on June 18<sup>th</sup> and we expect to have results in about a week.

Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that Sovereign has informed her that he expects the MassDEP to issue a Waste Site Cleanup Notice which requires the filing of a Response Action Plan. Sovereign also suggested that the Board will need to consider a long-term solution to the well at 1201 Quaker Street, possibly a treatment system. Ms. Criasia stated that she did not think 1,4-dioxane could be removed through a water treatment system.

The Board also approved the Fiscal Year 2019 contract with Sovereign Consulting for the continued maintenance and monitoring requirements at the Quaker Street Landfill.

**Food Service Establishments – The Rock – Change in Ownership:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that there is a pending change in ownership for The Grill / Pardee Group to The Rock / The Philo Group. Applicant is waiting for approval from the ABCC. Ms. Gilchrist will conduct a pre-opening inspection once the change goes through.

**Planning Board – Public Meeting Notices – Site Plan Applications:** The Board reviewed the site plan applications for Syncarpha Northbridge I, LLC and Syncarpha Northbridge II, LLC for large scale ground mounted solar facilities on Church Street and on Providence Road.

**TJJ Development Handling Facility:** The Board reviewed the facility inspection report for TJJ Development located at 278 Douglas Road, Whitinsville. No action required.

## **Old & New Business:**

**Youth Access Tobacco Compliance Checks:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that compliance checks were conducted on June 16, 2018. Two establishments sold tobacco products to a minor: Speedway and the new shop, Cloud 9 Vape & Smoke Shop. The Board noted that the owner of Cloud 9 was the manager of Village Variety who sold tobacco to a minor in June of 2017. Speedway and Cloud 9 Vape & Smoke will be issued non-criminal disposition tickets in the amount of \$100 each and will be called before the Board at their next meeting. Mr. Cella questioned whether the Board should be revising their regulations for stiffer penalties and possibly an even longer tolling period. The consideration of amendments to these regulations will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

**Beaumont Nursing Facility:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that Ms. Gilchrist has been asked to allow this facility to eliminate one of their two hand-wash sinks in the kitchen area to allow for an eye-wash station. Mr. Garabedian stated that they absolutely must keep both sinks – the Board adamantly agreed with Mr. Garabedian. Ms. Gniadek was instructed to notify Beaumont that they must not eliminate any of their hand-wash sinks in the kitchen for the placement of an eye-wash station.

**Policy for Septic System Installers:** Ms. Gniadek requested that the Board consider the adoption of a policy that would prevent septic system installers that are delinquent in the filing of their paperwork after the completion of a septic system installation to obtain additional permits to install another system or systems. She stated that this has been an issue and it is getting difficult to obtain the required paperwork when there is no penalty or recourse. Ms. Criasia stated that the homeowner is the one affected by their lack of completing the paperwork. The Board instructed Ms. Gniadek to draft a policy for their consideration at their next meeting.

**Health Inspector Position:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that the advertisement for this position is now posted on the Town's website and was also in the Sunday edition of the Telegram & Gazette which includes 30 days of posting on the internet.

**Citizen's Forum:** *No one present for Citizens Forum.*

**Correspondence:** The following correspondence was distributed to the Board:

1. MassDEP letter regarding Recycling Market and impact on Massachusetts communities

*There being no further business, motion to adjourn at 7:55 PM was made by Mr. Garabedian and seconded by Mr. Cella – all in favor.*

*Attested by,*

*Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator*

**List of Documents utilized by Board of Health**  
**Meeting Date: June 19, 2018**

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**A. Meeting Minutes**

- 1) May 22, 2018 DRAFT Meeting Minutes

**B. Quake Street landfill**

- 2) Contract for Water Sampling (dated June 15, 2018); DEP email noting list of wells to be tested; 1,4-dioxane fact sheet
- 3) FY 2019 Landfill Monitoring Agreement

**C. Food Service Establishments**

- 4) The Rock – Food Permit Application

**D. Planning Board – Public Meeting Notices**

- 5) Site Plan Application Notices for Syncarpha Northbridge I, LLC and Syncarpha Northbridge II, LLC for large scale ground mounted solar projects at Church Street and Providence Road

**E. Old & New Business**

- 6) TJJ Development – Inspection Report

**F. Citizens' Forum - None**

**G. Correspondence**

- 7) Miscellaneous
  - a. MassDEP Letter re: Recycling Markets