



TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH

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The Northbridge Board of Health approved these minutes at a meeting held November 9, 2021.

MEETING MINUTES - OCTOBER 19, 2021

This meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Ms. Lani Criasia, Chair. Other members present were Mr. Chris Cella, Mr. Steve Garabedian and Ms. Linda Lermond. Also present was Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Mr. Cella to accept the minutes of **September 14, 2021**. Motion seconded by Ms. Criasia. The vote was 2-0 in favor. Mr. Garabedian and Ms. Lermond abstained.

Blackstone Valley Partnership for Public Health - Shared Health Agent Services: Ms. Criasia introduced Ms. Danielle Edmands and Mr. Daniel Markman to the Board. Ms. Edmands was hired through the BVPPH grant to serve as the Regional Health Inspector for the eight towns serviced under this regional grant. Mr. Markman was hired as the regional health inspector and health educator for these towns.

Health Inspector Position: Ms. Criasia opened discussion on replacing Terry Gilchrist, restaurant inspector, who officially resigns on October 29th and Ms. Edmands our part-time housing inspector, who has taken on the regional inspector position. The Board discussed making this one full-time position. It was noted that the Board's existing budget currently does not support this as a full-time position.

Motion made by Mr. Cella to post the position as part-time health inspector to replace Terry and Danielle and that with the FY 2023 budget request, the Board will seek to make this a full-time position. Motion seconded by Mr. Garabedian; the vote was all in favor.

Old & New Business

Beaumont/Advinia: The Board reviewed email correspondence between the office and the Director of the Whitinsville Water Company regarding Advinia (formerly Beaumont Nursing and Assisted Living) with regard to water quality issues within this facility. Mr. Cella stated that a strongly worded letter needs to be sent to this facility telling them that they need to come up with an action plan; this letter should be cc'd to other state agencies such as MassDEP and MDPH at a minimum. Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that the new owners have also not obtained a food permit in their name.

Motion made by Mr. Cella to send letters to Advinia (formerly Beaumont) with regard to their food permit and another with concern regarding the water quality and to request a plan of action on remediation with copies of this letter being distributed to as many state agencies as possible. Motion seconded by Mr. Garabedian; the vote was all in favor.

Slaughterhouse Application: Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that Mr. Mustafa Harrati had filed an application for a custom slaughterhouse with the MDPH. Mike Moore from MDPH provided the application to this office. It was noted that the property is under an APR (Agricultural Preservation Restriction) and that the Department of Agriculture AND the Town of Northbridge are co-holders of the restriction. Mr. Harrati previously appeared before the Board of Selectmen but withdrew his application. Ms. Criasia asked that the application be shared with the Board members and with Ms. Edmands and Mr. Markman.

Correspondence: The Board received a copy of the October 26, 2021 Fall Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn at 7:35 PM was made by Mr. Cella and seconded by Mr. Garabedian – all in favor.

Attested by,

Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator

Next Meeting scheduled for: November 9, 2021 at 6:00 PM

List of Documents utilized by Board of Health
Meeting Date: October 19, 2021

A. Approval of Minutes

- 1) September 14, 2021 DRAFT Meeting Minutes

B. Blackstone Valley Partnership for Public Health

- 2) Introductions
 - a. Resume – Danielle Edmands
 - b. Job Description – Regional Health Inspector
 - c. Resume – Daniel Markman
 - d. Job Description – Regional Health Inspector/Educator

C. Health Inspector Position

- 3) DRAFT Job Advertisement and Job Descriptions

D. Old & New Business

- Advinia (Beaumont) Email thread (October 18, 2021) from Randy Swigor, Whitinsville Water Company, General Manager

E. Citizen's Forum - *None*

F. Correspondence

- 4) Fall Town Meeting Warrant