

Town of Westwood

Commonwealth of Massachusetts **BOARD OF HEALTH**

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Minutes of the Westwood Board of Health meeting held on June 13,2023

The meeting began at 5:00PM and was held at the Carby Street Municipal Office Building, 50 Carby Street, Westwood.

Members Present: Roger L. Christian, M.D., Chairperson

Carol Ahearn, R.N., B.S.N

Shelley Reever, R.N., B.S.N., J.D.

Staff Present: Jared Orsini, REHS/RS, Health Director

Lorraine Donovan, Administrative Assistant

Margaret M. Sullivan, R.N., M.S.N., Public Health Nurse

Jessica S. Kent, Food Inspector/Sanitarian

Approval of Minutes: May 16, 2023

Ms. Ahearn moved to approve the minutes, Dr. Christian seconded, approved 3-0-0.

Appointment of Dr. Henry D'Angelo - Board of Health Physician:

Dr. Christian makes a motion to reappoint Dr. Henry D'Angelo as Board of Health Physician, Ms. Reever seconded, approved 3-0-0.

Appointment of Deni Goldman - Animal Inspector:

Paul Jolicoeur will not be continuing in his role as Animal Control Officer, there has been a reorganization at the police department. Ms. Goldman is the ACO in Dedham and she will be assisting Westwood Police. In order to work in Westwood, she must be appointed as an animal inspector by the Board. Ms. Ahearn makes a motion to appoint Deni Goldman as animal inspector for FY24, Ms. Reever seconded, approved 3-0-0.

Approval of Recreational Camp for Children – Hale Pre-camp & YMCA

There is an extra week of camp at Hale, due to school ending early this year and it is called Hale Pre-camp. The YMCA camp is coming back after several years, they will also be based at Hale Reservation. Dr. Christian makes a motion to approve both camps, Ms. Ahearn seconded, approved, 3-0-0.

Variance Request – 299 Clapboardtree St. Relief from requirement of the minimum setback distance of a well & sewer line per the Westwood Board of Health Private Well Regulation

The home is undergoing renovations and the current septic system will not be able to service the home with additional bedrooms being added; the home also has an irrigation well on the property.

The owner is connecting to sewer and the sewer pipe will be within the minimum setback of 10 feet from the well, which is not allowed in our well regulation. Mr. Orsini explains that he does not have concerns about the distance being within the setback. Dr. Christian makes a motion to approve the variance request from the requirement of the minimum setback distance of a well & sewer line, Ms. Ahearn approved, 3-0-0.

Public Health Nurse Report:

There are some COVID test kits available here, however, once they are gone we will not be receiving more. There were 2 cases of Lyme in MAVEN and 1 case of Varicella, which could be an error. The person has no symptoms and will be re-tested. There is an active case of TB which will require monitoring for medication compliance by Ms. Sullivan. This will take place 5 days per week and DPH will provide some assistance with the direct observation monitoring on weekends and holidays.

Camp review is underway and Ms. Sullivan will be checking medical records/vaccination status as camps begin.

Health Director Report:

Pool & beach inspections have been done, North Beach at Hale is the only one left to permit. Food permit renewals are almost complete, Ms. Donovan and Ms. Kent have been following up with any establishments missing information. Camps inspections will begin in the coming weeks and Ms. Sullivan and Ms. Kent will assist with the process.

There have been several complaints regarding beavers causing water issues on private property and Mr. Orsini has been providing information to the homeowners.

The Farmer's Market has started and Cousin's Lobster truck has expressed interest in attending a few times this summer, which we will permit and inspect.

Mr. Orsini has met with the new owners of 215 High St., they are renovating the property and the horse barn there will be a bigger operation and more horses will eventually be brought onsite. Ms. Kent provides the Board with a report of the recent food inspections she has done. The Board typically does not meet in the summer and the next meeting is in September unless something comes up that requires the Board to convene.

Meeting adjourned 6:00PM