

**Halifax Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 19, 2020**

On Wednesday, a meeting of the Halifax Board of Health was held at the Halifax Town hall.

Present at the meeting were:

John L. Weber – Chairman
Alan J. Dias – Co-Chairman
Robert Valery – Health Agent
Peggy Selter – Administrative Assistant
Kelly Dwyer, Secretary

The Board of Health meeting opened at 6:30p.m

1. Open Forum:

Mr. Matthew Weathers of 49 Lake Street – Mr. Weather's
[Home owner did not appear.](#)

2. Disposal Works Permits:

a. Recommended for approval:

i. 100 Fairway Drive

A motion was made to approve as recommended.

Motion: Alan Dias

Second: John Weber

Unanimous vote on the motion

ii. 3 Pasture Lane

A motion was made to approve as recommended.

Motion: Alan Dias

Second: John Weber

Unanimous vote on the motion

iii. 24 Cedar Lane

A motion was made to approve as recommended.

Motion: Alan Dias

Second: John Weber

Unanimous vote on the motion

b. Requiring Local Upgrades & Variances: (but otherwise recommended for approval):

i. 12 Water Street

1. Allow the proposed septic tank & pump chamber to be 2' from a cellar wall instead of the 10' required.
2. Allow the bottom of the proposed SAS to be 4.0 from soil mottling instead of 5' required.
3. Allow a 2' remove and replace instead of 5'.
4. Allow the use of a sieve analysis to determine the L.T.A.R.
5. Allow a 5' setback from the proposed SAS to a property line instead of 10' required.

The board discussed and concluded that 12 Water St. requires a hearing (9/02/2020)

3. Bring to Boards Attention:

- a. Vote for re-organization of the Board.

The board decided to carry-over.

- b. New Board of Health Public Records Request Form

The board went over new public records request, decided to add Town Seal and a fee schedule.

4. Discussion Items:

- a. 163 Plymouth Street Update

- i. The board discussed this home being placarded and deemed uninhabitable due to "no running water" in the building.

- b. Agent Report:

- i. COVID-19 Update

1. Agent updated the board that there are no new cases.

- ii. EEE/WNV Update

1. Agent updated that Halifax has been raised to critical risk following the first confirmed positive case of EEE.
2. Agent recommended that the advisory be updated to a BAN to be sent out tomorrow, enforceable by the Board of Health and Police Department.
3. Agent also recommended informing the two eating establishment in town to use a method of mosquito control such as fans, repellent and suggesting not eating outdoors at night.

A motion was made to approve as recommended.

Motion: Alan Dias

Second: John Weber

Unanimous vote on the motion

- c. Admin Report:

- i. Halifax Beach Association (HBA) – Admin. Assistant Updated Board

1. Admin has sent letters to previous beach association contact with no response. Emails have been sent to the different email addresses and are bouncing back as undeliverable. Cannot find any contact information on the beach association on the internet or social media.

2. Board discussed closing the Halifax Beach Association due to lack of testing after checking with Mike Beattie.
- ii. Board of Health Public Record Request.
 1. Created a “Public Records Request” page on the BOH website.
- iii. Admin updated the board on 471 Monponsett Street.

d. Secretary Report:

- i. Update on list of qualified sales from the Assessor’s office for the past year, and compare to our title V reports.
 1. Assessor’s office requesting BOH fill-out public record form with clarification on what to search. Ex: cash sales, qualified sales, sales of convenience, family sales, etc...
 - a. Alan Dias filled out a public information request for the Assessor’s office for a list of qualified sales between January 1st 2020 and July 20th 2020.

e. Board Discussion on Marilyn’s Landing:

- i. The board discussed the Comm 97 Venture being stopped and recommend coming to the Board and letting them know their intentions.
- ii. **Note to Selectmen:** Board of Health is not consenting to any fill or materials in the Halifax landfill at Marilyn’s landing.

5. The Following to be signed:

- a. 08/05/20 Meeting Permits i through v list
- b. **Payroll for the Week Ending September 03, 2020 Board Approved and Signed.**
 - i. Robert Valery, Health Agent
 - ii. Margaret Selter, Administrative Assistant
 - iii. Kelly Dwyer, Secretary
 - iv. Brian Kling, Animal Inspector
- c. **Expense Account# 01-512 – FY 21-03 Board Approved and Signed.**
 - i. VCA Hanson – Invoice# 173383160 – Raccoon Euthanization and Rabies Testing - \$260.88
 - ii. WB Mason – Invoice# - Two (2) Toners for Printer - \$
- d. **Revolving Account# 25-513 – FY 21-03 Board Approved and Signed.**
 - i. Spath Engineering – Invoice# 08142020A-743 – Plan Review – 100 Fairway Drive - \$85.00
 - ii. Spath Engineering – Invoice# 08142020B-743 – Plan Review – 3 Pasture Lane - \$85.00
 - iii. Spath Engineering – Invoice# 08142020C-743 – Plan Review – 12 Water Street - \$85.00

- iv. Webby Engineering – Invoice# 08192020 – Plan Review 081920– 24 Cedar Lane - \$85.00
- e. **Nursing Services Account# 01-522 – FY 21-01 - Board Approved and Signed.**
 - i. VNA/Cape Cod – Statement Covers Nursing Service Period: 07/01/20 to 07/31/20 – \$142.50
 - 1. Board discussed checking with Hanson, as other owns are hiring school nurses and contracting out H.A
- f. **COVID19 Health Grant Revenue Account# 21-515-4680-419 – FY 21-01**
 - i. VNA/Cape Cod – Statement Covers Nursing Service Period: 07/01/20 to 07/31/20 – \$427.50
- g. **Permits:** *(With condition all required documents are submitted to the Board of Health office)* **Board Approved and Signed.**
 - i. Richard E. Merry – Richard E. Merry Excavating – 2020 Septic Installer’s Permit
 - ii. Michael Sweeney – Sweeney Excavating – 2020 Septic Installer’s Permit
 - iii. Tony Esposito – JK Holmgren Engineering, Inc. – 2020 Soil Evaluator’s Permit

A motion was made to approve permits i-iii.

Motion: Alan Dias

Second: John Weber

Unanimous vote on the motion

Adjournment

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:30p.m.

Motion: John Weber

Second: Alan Dias

Unanimous vote on the motion

Typed by,
Kelly Dwyer
Secretary

Signed By:
John L. Weber, Chairman
Alan J. Dias, Co-Chairman

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