The regular meeting of the Board of Health was held on Wednesday, August 3, 2022. Kelly Lamas, Chair; Adrienne DeSantis, Secretary; and Antonio Tavares, Member were present. Office Assistant Tim Fontaine recording the minutes. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Ms. Lamas.

Board members signed departmental bills.

Board members read the minutes of June 15, 2022 and July 6, 2022. Motion made by Ms. DeSantis to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Mr. Tavares. All in favor 3-0. Minutes were signed by Ms. DeSantis.

The new authorization to sign payroll and bills was presented to the Board. Motion made by Mr. Tavares to continue to have Ms. Lamas sign payroll. Seconded by Ms. DeSantis. All in favor 3-0.

There was a request received from Liza Larose, 632 Moore Street, for a special permit to house up to 10 chickens on her property. Motion made by Ms. DeSantis to approve the special permit for up to 10 chickens. Seconded by Mr. Tavares. All in favor 3-0. A letter will be sent to the homeowner.

Board members reviewed 3 Tobacco suspension letters and 2 warnings issued by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to 3 local retailers. These suspensions were for selling untaxed tobacco products in the stores.

Board members reviewed goals submitted by the office staff. Ms. Matusik will be focusing on mental health and Narcan training. Ms. Kramer will be providing more trainings through the senior center. Ms. Kramer is also looking into CPR training. Mr. Fontaine is focusing on inspections and increasing his knowledge through trainings. Board members feel that these goals align with the departmental goals and look forward to receiving updates.

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Ms. Lamas gave an update on the shared services grant. A liaison has been assigned from the State to the district. The forms for signature have been created and once approved, they will be distributed to each Town for approval. Another update will be provided once the next steps have been completed.

Board members discussed upcoming meetings. Currently the board is meeting once a month. Ms. DeSantis would still like to have the board meet twice a month. Mr. Tavares is fine with meeting once a month but would like to keep scheduling a second meeting date if needed each month. Board members agreed to September 7, 2022 at 5:30pm as their next meeting. September 21, 2022 will be scheduled if needed.

Motion made by Mr. Tavares to adjourn the meeting at 5:58pm with Ms. DeSantis seconding the motion. All in favor 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne DeSantis
Secretary