



*Board of Health
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*Wednesday September 10, 2014
6:00 P.M.
Meeting Minutes*

Call to Order:

Chairman Thomas Pires called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Present:

Thomas Pires, Dean Cronin and Patrick Menges.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Motion Patrick Menges seconded, Dean Cronin to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 27, 2014 as prepared by the Administrative Assistant to the Board of Health.

Correspondence:

Selectman Patrick Menges, read letter from Governor Patrick
"Emergency Preparedness Month"

Be Involved:

Develop a Plan:

Build a Kit:

Get Involved:

Chairman Thomas Pires read a letter from the Health and Homeland Alert Network regarding Elevated EEE threat in our area and an advisory from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services warning of Synthetic Cannabinoids. Tobacco coordinator Marilyn Edge explained what a synthetic cannabinoid exactly is. **Thomas Pires requested that Marilyn forward to the Dighton Board of Health other Towns regulations regarding banning this product.**

Announcements:

Dean Cronin read the announcements.

Old Business:

2022 Somerset Avenue: Health Agent / Selectmen Thomas Pires and Animal Control Officer, Stacy Ferry contacted the owner of the property on September 9, 0214. They observed that the Pit Bull in question looked to be well taken care of with proper shelter and looked well feed. A request was made that the fence be repaired, the dog would get licensed and get its rabies shot. An appointment was also made for the Building Commissioner to inspect the house. The home owner explained that he was awaiting an insurance settlement and would be renovating the house in the near future.

1318 Rebecca Road:

Vacant home with over grown yard and pool. Chairman Dean Cronin explained that he had been out to the property that morning and that a property management company was there to clean up the yard, house and the pool. Health Agent Kevin Bernardo will follow up next week.

Dighton Country Diner:

No liability insurance! It was decided to give her 48 hours to get a policy and submit it to the Town.

Dighton Baseball Complex:

Motion Dean Cronin seconded Patrick Menges to have the complex re-inspected for the Fall Ball Season by the health agent and waive the food permit fee.

All in Favor

Aye

New Business:

Harmony Adult Day Health Center

Opens at 725 Myles Standish Boulevard, Taunton MA.
For more information call (508) 880- 3000

Inspectors Reports:

Animal Control Officer, Stacy Ferry explained that she was currently conducting stable and farm inspections. She stated that the renovations to the animal shelter had been completed by one of the Boy Scouts. She also reminded everyone about emergency preparedness and reminded them not to forget their pets remember to pack food, treats, ect...

She also addressed Ferro Cats reminding everyone not to feed them. Once feed they become the homeowners responsibility. They can be caught and spay or neutered then returned to the wild.

On October 4th at the Dighton Lions Pavilion there will be a yard sale fundraiser event for the Dighton Animal Shelter.

Old Business Continued:

Tobacco 21 Initiative, Tobacco coordinator Marilyn Edge, Attorney Cheryl Sobarro and Doctor Lester Hartman talked to the Board regarding raising the legal age to buy tobacco products to 21 years old. The Board decided to table the discussion.

Motion Dean Cronin, step down second, Thomas Pires to table this discussion to a near future date.

All in Favor

Aye

Adjournment:

Motion Dean Cronin, step down second, Thomas Pires to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
Rosalind Grassie/ Administrative Assistant

Thomas J Pires
Chairman

Dean V. Cronin
Member

Patrick W. Menges
Clerk

