



# Town of Dighton

## BOARD OF HEALTH

### Special Meeting

### Primetime

1059 Somerset Avenue

Dighton, MA 02715

Wednesday, April 12, 2023 - 5:30 P.M.

### Agenda

This was also a remote participation "Zoom" meeting. It was a public meeting recorded for Cable Broadcast and Internet posting on [www.dighton-ma.gov](http://www.dighton-ma.gov) and YouTube.

## MEETING MINUTES

### 1. Call to order:

Meeting called to order by Paul Pacheco at 5:32 PM.

Video recording disclaimer recited.

**Members present:** Paul Pacheco, Patrick McGovern

**Live on Zoom:** None

**In Person Present:** Nicole Mello, Town Nurse Todd Pilling, Health Agent; Elizabeth Moreira, BOH Office Manager, James Aguiar, Building Commissioner,

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Recited

### Inspector Reports:

a.) Town Nurse

\*This month's contribution to Strawberry Vine was about seasonal allergies.

\*Continuing the blood pressure clinic at COA on the third Tuesday of the month at 10 AM, will be moving it to 9AM going forward. Anyone interested please call Council on Aging to reserve a spot.

\*Update on Public Health Excellence Grant: We were still looking for applicants for a coordinator. It had been very slow but an applicant was chosen we will be happy once she accepts the position

\*Looking to create an informational on ticks and Lyme disease to get awareness out.

\*Still working with the Healing community. Will be at Touch -A-Truck event that the Fire Dept. We have been supplied Narcan if any residents is looking for them. Looking for businesses that would supply it locally  
Became a trainer for stop the bleed. Looking for ways to help the town.

b.) Health Agent

Been slow on Perc's, still working on backlog

c.) Building Commissioner

The building dept has been very busy with permits.

d.) Animal Inspector

Todd spoke on behalf of Stacy. She did not have the animal regulations prepared yet. She isn't in attendance so Pat McGovern makes a motion to table Animal Inspector reports. Paul Pacheco steps down and seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Pat McGovern makes a motion to take item 5a. out of order. Paul Pacheco steps down and seconds. The motion passes unanimously.

### **Old Business:**

a. Review/ Discuss/ Act: Health Agent Job Description

Pat McGovern has sent the Description to the Town Administrator and is awaiting the feedback from the Board of Selectmen. Pat McGovern makes a motion to table it until next month. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Review/ Discuss/ Act: Board of Health Restructuring Efforts

Pat McGovern discussed during the restructuring of the Board of Health members. No further discussion is needed.

c. Review/ Discuss/ Act: 2022 Annual Town Report

The report was submitted on Wednesday and approved.

d. Review/ Discuss/ Act: Use of Third-Party Consultant for Percolation Tests and Septic Plan Reviews

We have a third party for septic reviews but not Perc tests. Jim Aguiar thinks it might be wise to have a system in place so we don't wait until last minute. Paul Pacheco asked Jim Aguiar for a list of references.

Pat McGovern makes a motion to have Jim Aguiar get a list together of outside consultants. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

### **5.) New Business:**

a. Acceptance of Letter of Resignation of Nicole Mello as Board of Health Chair

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Pat McGovern makes a motion to accept the letter of recommendation of Nicole Mello as the Board of Health Chair. Paul Pacheco steps down and seconds.

Motioned passes unanimously.

b. Restructuring The Board of Health Members

Pat McGovern makes a motion to appoint Paul Pacheco as chairperson until we fill the board. Paul Pacheco steps down and second. The motion passed unanimously.

Pat McGovern shared thoughts on not posting the position for the time being.

Would like to table it until the next meeting. Paul Pacheco agrees. Pat McGovern made a motion to table position the open position until net meeting. Paul Pacheco stepped down and seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

c. Disclosure by Special Municipal Employee of Financial Interest Municipal Position - Mello, Public Health Nurse

Pat McGovern makes a motion to keep Nicole Mello as the town nurse pending the town Board of Selectmen final say. We can revisit when we have to. Paul Pacheco steps down and seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Change Regular Meeting Date to Second Wednesday of the Month

Pat McGovern has not figured out his work schedule. Pat McGovern makes a motion to table the topic and next month we will set a new meeting date. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

e. Taunton Area Vietnam Veterans Association - Temporary Food Permit Fee Waiver

Pat McGovern makes a motion to grant the waiver to the Taunton Area Vietnam Veterans Association. . Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

f. Dighton Lions Club - Waiver Fees on All Upcoming Events

Pat McGovern makes a motion to grant the waiver to the Dighton Lions Club - Fees on All Upcoming Events. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

g. Schedule Bulky Item Pick-Up Week

Pat McGovern makes a motion that we hold bulky item week the week of May 22 to May 26, 2023. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

h. Solid Waste Mailer

Pat McGovern makes a motion that we allow the Solid Waste committee to finalize the mailer and get the Board of Selectmen's approval. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

Pat McGovern makes a motion to table the topic on the cost of the mailer until we get a figure from the Solid Waste Committee. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

i. Recommend Appointment of David Neely as a Solid Waste Member

Pat McGovern makes a motion to recommend the appointment of David Neely as a Solid Waste member to the Board of Selectmen. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

j. her Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance.

Paul Pacheco wants to know if we have sent up a shared calendar. Elizabeth is going to get ahold of IT for help.

Pat McGovern makes a motion allow Todd and Elizabeth to set up the shared calendars for the Board of Health. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

Pat McGovern spoke on the class that he will be taking, Massachusetts Association of Health Boards.

**6.) Public Input: None**

**7.) Correspondence: None**

**8.) Approval of Minutes:**

- a.) Special Meeting March 09, 2023
- b.) Special Meeting January 12, 2023
- c.) Regular Meeting January 25, 2023

Pat McGovern makes a motion to approve the minutes from 3/9/23, 1/12/23 and 1/25/23. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously.

**9.) Adjournment:**

Pat McGovern makes a motion to adjourn. Paul Pacheco seconds. The motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM