

Board of Health Meeting

Thursday April 21, 2016 6:30PM

Draper Room Hopedale Town Hall

Members Present: Louis Arcudi, Walter Swift

Others Present: Lenard Izzo (Health Agent)

Purpose of Meeting: Monthly BOH Meeting

Minutes prepared by: Louis Arcudi

Meeting Called to Order: 6:30pm

Minutes reviewed: No minutes were presented at this meeting

Appointment of Animal Control Officer:

Mr. Izzo presented to the board Hopedale Police Officer Craig A. Landry as a candidate for the opened ACO position as vacated by Officer John Gagnon in 2015. After a brief overview of Officer's Landry's qualifications there was a Q&A session. A motion was made by Mr. Swift and seconded by Mr. Arcudi to appoint Officer Craig A. Landry to the position of Hopedale's ACO. **The motion was passed.**

Tobacco Regulations: Health Agent Izzo requested that the board consider raising the minimum legal sales age for tobacco from 18 year's age 21year's of age effective May 1, 2016. The "tobacco products" definition now includes 1) products that contain nicotine but no tobacco 2) products that can be vaporized or aerosolized. (See lettered dated and signed on 4/21/2016 for more details). A motion was made by Mr. Swift and seconded by Mr. Arcudi to approve and sign the new law raising the minimum legal sales age from 18 to 21 years of age. **The motion was passed and letter was signed.**

VNA contract: Health Agent Izzo updated the board that the VNA is looking to increase their fees for the upcoming year. The board opposed the increase as we have already submitted our budget for FY 2017. The board asked Mr. Izzo to have the VNA present a budget on or before the end of March of each year in order for the board to approve and get into the upcoming year's budget. A motion was made by Mr. Swift and seconded by Mr. Arcudi not to approve an increase for VNA fees for FY 2017. **The motion pass and Mr. Izzo was to notify VNA.**

Rabies Clinic: Health Agent Izzo informed the board that a local resident is running a rabies clinic as a fundraiser for the Hopedale Elementary School DI team. Ms. Raji Abraham presented a letter to the board informing of the clinic on May 14th, No **Action needed.**

Mesothelioma Prognosis Network (MSN): Health Agent Izzo informed the board that a request to have the public outreach website on the MSN be added to our BOH website. Discussion on this topic to place by the board. A motion was made by Mr. Swift and seconded by Mr. Arcudi to add the Public outreach on MSN be added to Hopedale's BOH page. **The motion was passed and letter was signed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Arcudi BOH Member