

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BYRAM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH September 22, 2020 MINUTES

Meeting was called to order by Chair Roxanne Sabatini at 7:32.

OPENING STATEMENT

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. This meeting has been electronically sent to the newspapers and uploaded to Byram's website not less than 48 hours in advance of the meeting. In addition, a copy of this notice is on file with the Municipal Board of Health Secretary.

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members:

Roxanne Sabatini, Scott Olson, Michael Busniak, Anneliese DeMagistris, Bernie Rogalski, Cris Franco.

Sussex County Board of Health Representative:

Elaine Martinez

Council Liaison:

Cris Franco

Public:

Alex Rubenstein

Lauren Shannon

MEETING MINUTES:

A motion was made by Scott Olson to accept the meeting minutes from January 28, 2020. Seconded by Cris Franco. All were in favor.

SEPTIC MANAGEMENT MONTHLY REPORTS:

July through August 2020 were reviewed.

FEE SCHEDULE:

July through August 2020 were reviewed.

TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT:

SUSSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF HEALTH REPORT:

Elaine Martinez reported that restaurant inspections are currently being completed. The tentative date for School Cafeteria inspections will be in October. Scott Olson asked if there is anything special as far as inspections in restaurants and cafeterias being done as far as Covid is concerned. Elaine explained in addition to the regular inspection form a Covid inspection form is being used, which is a check off list for cleaning procedures and changes in menu. Scheduling of inspections are not being done during peak hours to keep things safer.

WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN POLICY ADISORY COM.- PAC:

Roxanne Sabatini reported the Mills Court project, in Franklin Township was started 30 years ago. They have revised their plans addressing environmental concerns for wildlife. The mixed income housing development will consist of 250 units.

SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COUNCIL - S.W.A.C:

Mike Busniak reported that July, August, September meetings were cancelled. Remote meetings will be slated only if a matter needs to be discussed.

PENDING BUSINESS:

1. Co-Chair appointment and duties were discussed, will be revisited.
2. Board of Health vacant seat- Resident Lauren Shannon summarized her education, work experience and interest to the Board. Shannon's resume and letter of intent have been submitted to the Township and will be forwarded to the Council for the October 6th meeting.
3. Septic Management Waiver Request for Block 383 Lot 2.08, 36 South Shore, was discussed with insight from the Sussex County BOH representative. The homeowner's documentation, past septic pumping history, Sussex County Septic records were reviewed and discussed. Anneliese DeMagistris made the motion not to grant the septic waiver due to inactivity over a period of many years to upgrade the system, seconded by Scott Olson. Motion passed. Written notification will be sent to the homeowner with the request to have their septic system pumped within 30 days.
4. Septic Management Waiver Request Block 317 Lot 23, 161 N. Shore Rd. was discussed with insight from the Sussex County BOH representative. Based on resident's documentation, past septic pumping history, County Septic records a second waiver was granted. Written notification will be sent to the homeowner that the waiver was granted for a period of one year, with the understanding that the property remains unoccupied. If the property becomes occupied the homeowner is requested to abide to the Towns Septic Management ordinance.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Scott Olson requested that the No Action Memo to the Board be kept on file for future reference.

Unoccupied properties being registered in the Township were discussed.

Septic plans and septic permits submitted to Sussex County were discussed. Permits expire after 1 year. Septic plans remain valid for a longer length of time with the possibility of an extension granted by the County.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

No additional discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

The motion to adjourn was made by Scott Olson, seconded by Bernie Rogalski. All in favor. Discussion was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Victoria Proskey

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Board of Health Secretary