

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 6:00pm

Via Zoom # 288 065 7034 or in person

Present: **Board Members:** Herb Butzke, Chair, Dan Poplawski, Board Member, Joanne Semanie, and Christine Bailey, Health Clerk. Town resident Bill Reardon joined the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Herb Butzke at the Rowe Town Hall

General Business:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for the September 7, 2022 meeting.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve all invoices.

Transfer Station

- The Transfer Station logs were reviewed and read by Dan Poplawski.
- The Transfer Station needs a phone and answering machine. Christine will have Janice order one from Staples.
- Herb is working with Jan Ameen on fixing the concrete that was cracked when the dumpster was being dropped back in place.
- Jan Ameen is working with MIIA and OSHA to identify safety equipment installation for each Transfer Station. Chair Herb said the compactor needs a rail installed. Christine to email Jan to remain on email list.
- The August FCSWMD FY23 MRF Processing Revenue & Expense for Rowe came to \$21.85. The processing fee is \$14.28 a ton.
- The FCSWMD Waste Ban Compliance Plan was reviewed. Christine to post in the October Goal Post and send out to all residents.

BOH Rules and Regulations: A motion was made and seconded to maintain the BOH rules and regulations as previous established. Christine to post on the Rowe BOH website.

Rowe Elementary School Transfer Station requirements: Bill Reardon joined the meeting at 6:19 p.m. He inquired if there was an update from his last visit suggesting the Rowe School obtains and pays for their dump stickers. He felt that due to the amount of garbage the school manufactures, they should pay from their budget. Joanne explained to Mr. Reardon, that the school, like all town entities, do not pay for stickers. It is a town municipality equal to the town hall or town garage. She explained that all budget monies ultimately come from the Town. Mr. Reardon left the meeting at 6:32.

Nurse Updates:

- Rachel suggested to hire a part-time town health care worker/home health aide for town residents that were in need of personal care. Joanne said this would need to be presented and voted on at a Town meeting.
- She received the Covid tests, and the miscellaneous PPEs requested from state on September 20, 2022.
- CPR will be held at the town hall September 28th from 12-3pm. There will be 10 employees attending.

- The first Foot Clinic is being held on October 6, 2022. All slots are full. She is already booking open slots for the next clinic.
- A Flu and Covid Clinic is being held at the Rowe Elementary School on October 20, 2022, from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m. Pre-registration is encouraged but not required. The Clinic is run by Cataldo Ambulance and sponsored through FRCOG. The town hall will have flu doses in the office, hopefully by month end. These will mainly be for the homebound and elderly who cannot make the clinic or get to another place to get vaccinated.
- Rachel said she has an upcoming meeting with a Nurse Practitioner from BFMC to discuss services for area.
- She reviewed the Arbovirus and discussed individual statistics.

Water Testing: Herb reviewed the Housatonic Basin Sampling Testing for Pelham Lake. The levels remain safe.

New Business: (Unforeseen matters not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours of the meeting)

Resident Comments/Questions: *It is requested that residents wait for comments during a meeting until recognized by the Chairperson.*

Meeting Adjourned: 7:01 pm unanimously

Next meeting: October 5, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Approved:


Herb Butzke, Chair


Daniel Poplawski


Joanne Semanie