

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 21, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Via Zoom # 288 065 7034 or in person

Present: Herb Butzke, BOH Chair; Kathleen Atwood, Dan Poplawski; Members, Christine Bailey, Admin Assistant and Lydia Brisson, Rowe Elementary School Nurse. Bill Knittle joined the meeting at 6:02 p.m. via zoom.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chair Herb Butzke at 6:02 p.m.

Rowe Elementary School: Lydia Brisson, RN discussed the 2024-2025 Rowe Elementary School COVID-19 guidelines. Here are the changes that were discussed: Guidelines were updated to meet the CDC and DPH recommended guidelines in reference to respiratory illnesses. Students are to stay out for 24 hours after a fever of 100 degrees or higher or testing for the Flu or COVID. If they are out more than 3 days, a doctor's note is required. The Fragrance Policy remains in place. Lydia and Bill left the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

General Business: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for the August 7, 2024, meeting.

FY25 Budget/Payables: A motion was made and seconded to approve the following FY25 invoices:

Company	Invoice #	Date	Amount
• McKesson	22485503	8/14/24	67.66
• Kathy Atwood	Title V Inspections	8/21/24	90.00
• Christine Bailey	Inspection	8/21/24	45.00

FY25 Acct	Account #	7-1-24 Approp	Curr Bal (7/31/24)	Payroll/Payables	Amount	New Bal
Transfer Station Att	01-512-5140	\$17,663.00	\$ 17,178.40			
TS Att. Training	01-512-5800	\$ 425.00	\$ 425.00			
BOH Stipends	01-512-5141	\$ 4,938.00	\$ 3,703.50			
Clerk Wages	01-512-5142	\$13,364.00	\$ 12,850.00			
BOH Clerk Training	01-512-5711	\$ 514.00	514.00			
Town Nurse	01-512-5143	\$52,391.00	\$ 50,373.86			
Physician Stipend	01-512-5144	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00			
Snow Removal	01-512-5145	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00			
Hazardous Waste	01-512-5290	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00			
FCSWMD Assess	01-512-5300	\$ 8,846.00	\$ 6,633.70			
Mosquito Control	01-512-5382	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5000 .00			
BOH Operations	01-512-5701	\$13,500.00	\$ 12,342.50	Various Town Inspections, dtd 8/20/24	\$ 135.00	\$12,207.50
Health Sv Ops	01-512-5703	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,351.93	McKesson, Inv#22485503 dtd 8/14/24	\$ 67.66	\$ 7,284.27
Refuse Gardens	01-512-5708	\$37,503.00	\$ 29,685.83			
FRCOG Health Svs	01-512-5788	\$ 5,797.00	\$ 4,358.00			
OPIOID FUNDS: \$90,000.00	83-512- 4540-83139	\$10,286.29	\$ 10,286.29			

Transfer Station:

- The Transfer Station logs were reviewed and read by Dan Poplawski.
- Transfer Station Drainage: There is \$7,150.00 remaining in the budget for drainage repairs. Brooke Shulda, Town Administrator asked if the drainage has been fixed or is there further repairs. The Members were not sure if any drainage projects needs to be completed. Chair Herb asked Christine to talk to Jan in reference to fixing/patching the hole in front of the Swap Shop. Herb will talk to Brooke in reference to the snow plowing being difficult due to all the erosion, etc. in the yard.
- Per Jan Ameen the FY25 August Recycling Expense is \$22.26 per ton. This is \$.87 cents per ton down since July!

Nursing Updates:

The following nurse updates were read by Herb Butzke:

- The Walking club continues every Monday from 10am-11(30)am and is going really well with residents enjoying. We plan to continue through fall and possibly the winter. A potential exercise collaboration with Deb Lively again for the winter as well. Great for physical and psychological health.
- The yearly Tick shoe spray event was August 20th from 3-6pm with Maureen O'Reiley from FRCOG.
- Arbovirus: 247 positive mosquito west nile virus, 55 positive mosquito EEE, 2 positive human WNV and 1 positive human EEE (a man in his 80s in Worcester county). Closest WNV mosquito was in Pittsfield, but most WNV and EEE were in central/eastern mass.
- The office received an influx of Massachusetts granted Covid Tests- due to increase in Covid cases recently and have been handing them out to residents.

BOH Updates:

- The department reviews forms were handed out to be completed. The Board decided that each member would take an employee. They will review all reviews and discuss at the next meeting.
- The Emergency Plan is tabled. This is something that the members will begin working on.

FRCOG Inspections:

- 77 Hazelton Road, Sherman – The Board reviewed and discuss the Notice of Violation/Order to Correct from Randy Crochier, FRCOG. Randy will be notifying Jim Hawkins, FRCOG building inspector. Brooke Shulda, Town Administrator also called Jim earlier in the week to discuss an inspection.
- The following Bed and Breakfast at 51 Middletown Hill Road (Bradley) was discussed. Kurt Schellenberg, FRCOG did an inspection on Monday, August 19, 2024 and will send his recommendations for update to meet any specifications.

SEPTIC PUMPING RECORDS: Herb talked to Randy in how FRCOG's follows up on systems testing in "poor" condition. Randy said FRCOG follows up with the resident to guide them in watching, updating or fixing the system. The following pumping records were discussed.

- 228 Zoar Road – Zelazo
- 22 Kings Highway – RC&CC
- 38 Kings Highway – RC&CC
- 468 Tunnell Road – Dykeman
- 22 Ford Hill Road – Lively
- 370 River Road – Bear Swamp (2)

Water Testing: Chair Herb read the Housatonic Basin Sampling & Testing and the Analytical Laboratory Data Reports – Beach Sampling. All reports were in compliance. Christine said the E.Coli was testing higher than usual but under the guidelines of being safe.

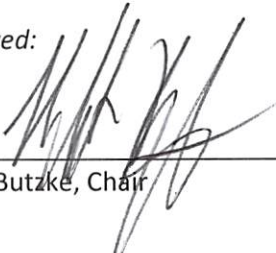
OPIOID Updates:

- Christine attended the FY24 Expenditure Reporting webinar. She asked one of the Board Members to assist in the filing of the expenditure report due on October 30, 2024. Kathy Atwood or Herb both said they could.
- The next Bi-weekly "Office Hours" meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 29, 2024 from 2-3pm. Christine will attend.


Meeting Adjourned: 6:53 pm unanimously

Next meeting: **September 12, 2024**

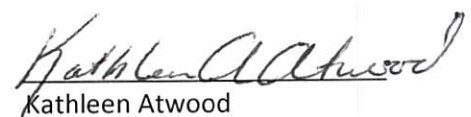
Approved:



Herb Butzke, Chair



Daniel Poplawski



Kathleen Atwood