

BOARD OF HEALTH ZOOM MEETING

JANUARY 25, 2022

PRESENT: Thomas Fortin, Chairman
Robert Medeiros, Clerk
Joseph Correia, Health Agent
Patrick Hannon, Asst. Health Agent
Wanda Hamer, Clerk

ABSENT: David Davignon, Inspector

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5:39 P.M. Call to order

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Community Nurse and Home Care Statistics for December 2021. R. Medeiros made a motion to place on file, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

APPROVE SEPTIC DESIGN PLANS/SUBDIVISION PLAN REVIEW

115 Manchester Lane – Acushnet Company – G.A.F. Engineering, Inc. - New Construction. Proposed Maintenance Building. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to table for revised plans, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

124 Nye's Lane – Walter & Alice Widenski – Webby Engineering Associates, Inc. – Repair Septic. Mr. Medeiros questioned all the elbows in the piping and Agent Correia said the installer will know what to do if he thinks there will be any issues as well. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to except plan as read, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

Map 12, Lot 11G - Alison Drive – Moniz Properties – SITEC, Inc. - New Construction. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to table the plan until revised plans are submitted, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

404 Middle Rd – Jack & Diala Sassin – S & K Engineering, LLC – Repair Septic. Groundwater reduction from 4ft. to 3.38 ft. – Mr. Medeiros made motion to except the variance as requested, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to except the plan as read, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

1163 Main Street – 1163 Realty Trust – Farland Corp, Inc. – Repair Septic. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to except the plan as read, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

DISCUSSION

Award of Air Sensor Grant Program: Assistant Agent Hannon informed the board that he was notified 6 months ago from Rep Hendricks office there is a grant from DEP. A week ago he received notification that we were awarded the grant for 8 monitors. DEP/EPA will be monitoring them. The results will be on an interactive map on the computer and residents can go online and see them. And within a year after using these monitors we will then own them outright and DEP will still monitor them. The plan is to place on the south side of town where a lot of complaints are coming from. Everything is in the packet signed, for how the grant works.

Public Health Excellence Grant: Agent Correia gave a quick run-down of how the grant works. We are in the very early stage of this 3 year grant that is shared with Fairhaven and New Bedford and the thought was to hire a shared nurse, with New Bedford handling the grant seeing they are larger and have more staff. In the future accessibility with surrounding staff and communities may look into sharing services, such as, clinics which we use to do but couldn't pay for and staff anymore. But by joining together this could allow us to possibly do clinics again and the staffing that is hired will also be shared. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to keep on agenda for updates, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

Late Fee: Mr. Medeiros made a motion to table till next meeting till we have a full board, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, all were in favor, so voted.

Community Nurse and Home Care deficit: Agent Correia informed the board that we will be in a deficit, as of right now we are half way through the year and we are already \$6,000 over our budgeted about. The grant monies we have been using for the extra hours are depleting fast. Discussion ensued about spending and extra hours the nurses are doing.

Budget Fiscal Year 2023: Agent Correia presented a budget for the board, discussion ensued again about the increase to the Community Nurse's Budget and how we will be short \$13,000 and a few other minor line items. Although we will keep looking for other ways to pay such as grants, ect. The board agrees this is beyond our control for any communicable disease or pandemic.

Meeting with Finance Committee on February 9, 2022 to discuss budget for 7 p.m.: Chairman Fortin will not be able to attend. Mr. Medeiros will attend meeting with Agent Correia.

APPROVE MINUTES

- January 11, 2021; November 6, 2021; November 30, 2021 – Everyone was present
- January 25, 2021; March 1, 2021; October 26, 2021 – Dave & Tom Only
- July 19, 2021; December 21, 2021 - Dave & Bob Only.

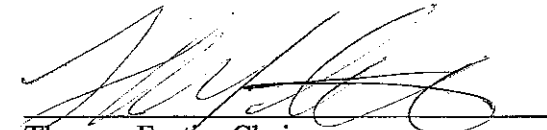
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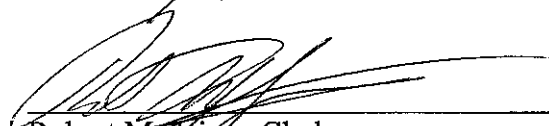
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NEXT MEETING: February 22, 2022, 5:30 P.M.

6:26 P.M. Mr. Medeiros made a motion to adjourn, Chairman Fortin seconded the motion, as were in favor, motion passes, so voted.

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Thomas Fortin, Chairman


Robert Medeiros, Clerk

ABSENT
David Davignon, Inspector

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