



Town of Becket
Board of Health
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Meeting Minutes for August 2, 2018

Board Members Present: Gale LaBelle, I. David Krawet and Laurel Burgwardt

Board Members Absent: None

Health Agent: Jayne Smith

Public Present: None

Call to order

Gale LaBelle calls the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

Board to review minutes of April 2018

Following their review of the minutes, I. David Krawet makes a **motion** to accept the minutes of April 4, 2018. Ms. LaBelle **seconds the motion**. All in favor with Laurel Burgwardt abstaining from the vote. **Motion passes.**

Reports from Jayne Smith, Health Agent:

Before going over the septic plans, Ms. Smith lets the Board know that all the camp applications have been fully processed and their kitchens have also been inspected.

Ms. Smith requests to have some food establishments inspected by Nancy Ruderman. Ms. Smith explains she is more than qualified to do these inspections as she teaches a Servsafe Program among other things. Ms. Smith asks that the Board provide a letter, for identification purposes, that Ms. Ruderman can bring with her on these inspections.

274 High Street: Ms. Smith says this went to the Conservation Commission for review. She explains the lot is constrained and recommends approval on it with local upgrade approval which is a one foot (1') reduction to estimated high groundwater. Ms. LaBelle makes a **motion** to approve this septic plan as Ms. Smith recommends. Mr. Krawet **seconds the motion**. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

33 Chippewa Drive: Ms. Smith recommends approval on this septic plan providing that only schedule 40 pipe is used and there is also a request for a one foot (1') separation to estimated high groundwater. Ms. LaBelle makes a **motion** to approve this septic plan as Ms. Smith recommends. Ms. Burgwardt **seconds the motion**. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

1054 County Road: Ms. Smith reminds the Board that this was presented in 2016 and the Conservation Commission requested that the septic be moved a little and that it include a retaining wall. Ms. Smith picked up a revised plan from the engineer's office today that reflects those changes. She also requests that the fee for this application be retroactive to what it was in 2016. Ms. Perotti reports the amount on the original application was \$125.00. The Board



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agrees. Ms. Smith recommends approval on the revised plan. Ms. Burgwardt makes a **motion** to accept the revised plan for 1054 County Road. Mr. Krawet **seconds the motion**. All in favor. **Motion passes.**

Old Business

- a. **3417 Main Street:** Ms. Perotti informs the Board that she spoke with the homeowner, Michael McCaul, who let her know that his mother had passed and wife has had some recent health problems forcing her to be out of work for about a month. The septic tank has been ordered along with the Title V sand. The excavator is working again and he expects to get started on the installation in about a week. He also reports that the smell is gone.
- b. **Becket Motel:** Ms. Perotti reports that Charlie Kaniecki has a meeting set with the owner of the motel on August 10, 2018 to see what he plans to do about the septic system. Ms. Smith says that Title V code allows for two (2) years for septic repairs, unless the Board of Health deems it is an impact on public health. Ms. Smith recommends that this system needs to be brought up to code before 2 years because it is a motel potentially serving many people. The Board agrees with Ms. Smith.

New Business:

- a. **Compliant: living in a camper:** Ms. Perotti tells the Board about a complaint that came in regarding someone possibly living in a camper behind the old General Store on Washington Street. Ms. LaBelle explains there is a zoning bylaw that prevents people from living in a camper. Ms. Smith clarifies that campers are allowed, with permission, regarding temporary housing during construction. Ms. Burgwardt says she knows about some renovation work being done there. She is aware that he cooks his meals in there but says he's not living in it. Ms. LaBelle asks Ms. Perotti to send an email to the Zoning Enforcement Officer, William Girard, to follow-up on this complaint.
- b. **76 Shawnee Shore Road – Title V Inspection Report:** Ms. Perotti lets the Board know that a Title V inspection was done here but the water tests submitted with the report have the address listed as 76 Shawnee Circle. Ms. Perotti informs the Board she called the inspector's office for the correct water report but what they sent was from 2015 and not from the same testing facility. The Board agrees this needs to be verified or retested.
- c. **61 Porcupine Court:** Ms. LaBelle lets Ms. Smith know that a Title V inspection was done two (2) years ago that failed. The house is reported as not being used. Ms. Smith recommends that a letter needs to be written to inform them that a septic system needs to be installed prior to any temporary or permanent residency.



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Correspondence

Ms. Perotti presents a notice regarding the Becket-Washington Community Birthday Calendar. A tentative list of meeting dates was provided asking if the Board would like to publish their meetings in the calendar at \$1.00 per publication at a total cost of \$12.00. Ms. LaBelle makes a **motion** to list the tentative meeting dates in the Becket-Washington Community Calendar. Mr. Krawet **seconds the motion**. All in favor with Ms. Burgwardt abstaining from the vote. **Motion passes**. Ms. Perotti presents two (2) more invoices for payment. One is in the amount of \$5500.00 for inspectional services provided by BRPC from June-September. The second is for \$115.00 for water testing done at the spring. Mr. Krawet makes a **motion** to pay both of these invoices totaling \$5615.00. Ms. Burgwardt **seconds the motion**. All in favor. **Motion passes**.

Budget

Ms. LaBelle reports that there is \$25,765.00 budgeted for this year. Ms. LaBelle says she will be going before the Finance Committee to see if they can give them more money for the budget. Ms. Perotti lets her know they will be meeting next week.

Any other business to come before the Board

None.

Adjournment

Ms. Burgwardt makes a motion to adjourn. Mr. Krawet seconds the motion. All in favor. Motion passes. Meeting is adjourned at 12:09 AM.

Meeting Minutes reviewed and approved on January 2, 2019 by:

Gale LaBelle, Chair

I. David Krawet, Clerk

Laurel Burgwardt, Vice Chair