



**Town of Provincetown
Meeting of the
BOARD OF HEALTH
Thursday, May 16, 2019**

**Judge Welsh Hearing Room, Provincetown Town Hall,
260 Commercial Street, Provincetown, MA**

Board Members Present: Mark Phillips, Chair; Steve Katsurinis, Vice Chair; Dr. Janet Whelan; Kalliope Chute; and Susan Troyan, Alternate

Board Members Absent: Dr. Elise Cozzi; Irv Morgan, Alternate

Other attendees: Morgan Clark, Health Director; Lezli Rowell, Health Agent

Call to Order: Mr. Phillips called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

I. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

II. New Business

a. Intro to STI Test and Treat program: Jeff Schaffer, Sexual Health Program Manager, Outer Cape Health Services, presenting

Discussion: Mr. Schaffer introduced colleagues from Outer Cape and presented information on a new program to promote sexual health in a stigma free environment, and reported on rising STI rates and dropping testing rates. He noted some of the potential reasons for the trend, including insurance policy changes. The Board discussed concerns about the insurance situation and potential steps the Board could take to improve the policy aspect. Mr. Schaffer presented information on ways to affect rates of infection, including Test and Treat services provided by Outer Cape, and those they plan to offer soon, including access to PrEP, follow up services, and reminders. Mr. Schaffer discussed barriers to offering testing and treatment at no cost and steps they are taking to fund the program, as well as noting other municipalities that offer similar programs. There are ads in Provincetown Magazine and promotional materials. The Board requested the team return in the fall for a report, and offered their support. Ms. Clark spoke of finding funding for a grant.

b. Request for public health sewer connection: 193 Bradford Street

Discussion: Ms. Clark gave a brief history of the property, which has recently been divided, and that the property could be served by the sewer. Other potential fixes in the short term were discussed.

Motion: Move that the property at 193 Bradford Street presents a public health priority and shall hereby be ordered to connect to the municipal sewer upon consultation with the Department of Public Works regarding the process of connecting.

Motion: Mr. Katsurinis

Seconded: Ms. Chute

Vote: 5-0-0

c. Discussion: Upcoming Joint Meeting with Water and Sewer Board

Discussion: Ms. Clark described the current proposed agenda for the meeting. A request for input from the Department of Public Works was discussed, as was the USDA grant and loan process and status. The potential for previous funding expiring and investigating other potential sources of funding was covered, as was a recent report on grease at the Waste Water Treatment Facility, and a suggestion for increased educational campaigns. Further discussion covered information placed in rentals on sewer and septic health.

III. Old Business

a. Deed Restrictions:

i. 44 Franklin Street

Discussion: Ms. Clark noted that the owner has already signed the deed restriction and it is before the Board now for the Board's approval and the Chair's signature.

Motion: *Move that we accept the deed restriction as drafted.*

Motion: Mr. Katsurinis

Seconded: Ms. Chute

Vote: 5-0-0

b. Discussion: Well permit requirement follow-up

Discussion: Ms. Rowell gave a brief recap of the work session and described her current process for handling well permits and the steps moving forward on suggestions for changes.

c. Discussion: Glyphosate conversation follow-up

Discussion: Ms. Clark presented a potential regulation that the use of glyphosate that would require Town employees or contractors that wanted to use a product containing the ingredient on Town-owned property to notify the Board of Health before use. Further discussion included adding leased properties which led to discussion of whether or not the Town owns the Transfer Station and the nearby area, as well as running the regulation by Town Counsel.

d. Discussion: Smoking in multifamily dwellings follow-up

Discussion: Ms. Clark presented a brief history of recent attempts to create policies at multifamily housing projects that have gone before Town Meeting and the Select Board, and the Board discussed options moving forward on regulating smoking in multifamily homes, as well as the definition of multifamily, and potential services that could be tied to compliance.

IV. Any other business that shall properly come before the Board

None.

V. Approval of Minutes: April 18, 2019

Motion: *Move to approve the minutes for April 18, 2019 Work Session and April 18, 2019 Regular Meeting.*

Motion: Dr. Troyan

Seconded: Dr. Whelan

Vote: 5-0-0

VI. Health Department Report

Environmental Health - Ms. Rowell gave a report on the Wastewater 3.0 Speaker Series on the sewer failure in Nantucket and the impressive lengths Nantucket went to mitigating the resulting issues.
Pool Renewals - Applications have been coming in for the upcoming season.

HAC Food Safety Workshop Group - Ms. Rowell attended a meeting to assess and manage new state regulations.

HAC Routine Meeting – Ms. Rowell attended.

FOG Training - Ms. Clark conducted two sessions on Fats, Oils and Grease management training.

Consumer Confidence Report – provided by the DPW Water Superintendent and included in the Board’s packet.

Public Health:

-Winter Wednesdays - a big increase from the previous year’s participation, and attendees also came from Truro, Wellfleet, and elsewhere.

-Narcan Training by the AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod for Town staff.

Upcoming Trainings:

- Stop the Bleed - 5/23/19 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

- Choke Safety - required for restaurants that seat 25 or more people will be held on 6/4/19 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., or 6/6/19 at 10 a.m.

- Hands Only CPR training on the Provincetown Library Lawn - will be held on 6/6/19 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

- ServSafe - will be held on 6/10/19 and 6/17/19. Advanced registration with the Cape Cod Cooperative Extension is required.

VII. Board Members’ Statements

Ms. Chute - shared that there is a hazardous waste collection 6/1/19 in Wellfleet between 9 a.m. and noon.

Mr. Katsurinis - Noted that there is a new rep to Cape Cod Water Sewer Board, and requested the Board meet with her. Ms. Clark will look into it.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mr. Phillips moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Fiorella

Approved by _____ on _____, 2019