

Meeting Minutes

Board of Health Meeting: November 18, 2019

In Attendance: Kate Goldrick, Kat Tribulski, David Reilly, Abbey Myers

Open Meeting: 6:26 pm

Katie Goldrick: On the agenda is the vote on the Board of Health noise ordinance. At our last meeting we made an amendment, and we have a secondary amendment which we will have to manually add on the floor.

Abbey Myers: In section F nuisance – A will be harm injury or affecting well-being and part FB will be completely struck. A nuisance is defined as harm injury or affecting well-being.

Kat Tribulski: I make a motion to approve the noise ordinance as amended for submittal to the town meeting.

David Reilly: Second the motion.

Katie, Kat, David: Are all in favor.

Katie Goldrick: Approved fully. I have asked Kat if she would be a primary lead on this.

Kat Tribulski: Yes, I can do that.

Abbey Myers: I will make copies of the ordinance for everyone to have.

Katie Goldrick: Next agenda item is litter regulation review and vote.

Abbey Myers: The litter regulations is in no way all inclusive, but it is a place to start.

Kat Tribulski: Statement of purpose: Based on pest infestation as a public health issue and we are addressing this is to destroy contaminants that would transmit viruses. This regulation is protecting the health and well-being of the public.

Katie Goldrick: Discussion on the fees.

Kat Tribulski: Add definition of littering and dumping, and further breakdown dumping by residential and commercial.

Katie Goldrick: We should also add language for retail establishments.

Kat Tribulski: Items should be removed when ordered by the health agent. And the fee should be the cost of removal and disposal.

David Reilly: Food establishments should have to check off they have a dumpster when getting applying for a permit.

Katie Goldrick: What about tenants?

Kat Tribulski: There is a landlord tenant agreement that says they are responsible for speedy, accessible and all-encompassing trash removal within limits. For commercial property it is the responsibility of the individual business.

Katie Goldrick: Asks Abbey to look up the special language for specific dumping in open space - conservation spaces and lakes. We will bump this to the next meeting.

Katie Goldrick: Updates on the banning of flavored tobacco and menthol cigarettes.

Abbey Myers: Massachusetts put up a bill that passed in the Senate for a ban on all flavored tobacco, all flavored juul products as well as menthol cigarettes. There will a 35% excise tax on any vaping products that will go to the state. It does need to pass the Senate and that hearing is on the 20th and last it also needs to be approved by the Governor. This is not an immediate order so it will not go into effect right away. It will probably go into in 2020. It will give retail time to sell all their stock so they are not losing money.

Kat Tribulski: There are 147 business that potentially have dumpsters. I am going through the list to see who has dumpsters, who is sharing, etc. Hoping to have a completed list by December.

Kat Tribulski: Motion to close the meeting.

David Reilly: Second the motion.

Katie, Kat, David: All are in favor.

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