

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Board Members: Herb Butzke, Chair; Dan Poplawski and Kathleen Atwood, Board Members and Rachel Lewis, Town Nurse.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Herb Butzke at the Rowe Town Hall.

General Business:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for the May 17, 2023, meeting.

FY23 Budget/Payables: A motion was made and seconded to approve the following invoices:

- Housatonic Basin, Invoice H2305-170, dtd 5/31/2023; \$155.00
- Housatonic Basin, Invoice H2305-172, dtd 5/31/2023; \$180.00
- Housatonic Basin, Invoice H2305-173, dtd 5/31/2023; \$500.00
- Housatonic Basin, Invoice H2305-174, dtd 5/31/2023; \$155.00
- Rachel Lewis, Invoice Rec 840-50100113-2-3197563-2, dtd 5/16/2023; \$5.75
- McKesson Medical, Invoice 20670153, dtd 5/22/2023; \$90.04
- McKesson Medical, Invoice 20644611, dtd 5/15/2023; \$427.43
- Amazon, Invoice 111-5416748-2404233, dtd 5/25/2023; \$125.97
- Vista Print, Invoice VP_LFSC3M6G, dtd 5/22/2023; \$31.99
- Lodge Tire, Invoice G1-228180, dtd 5/8/2023; \$120.00
- A.L. Avery, Invoice 483837, dtd 5/16/2023; \$20.98
- A.L. Avery, Invoice 483853, dtd 5/22/2023; \$35.97

Herbert Butzke read each line item to be approved.

Transfer Station

- The Transfer Station logs were reviewed and read by Dan Poplawski.
- Waste Management insurance approval- Jan Ameen will send a check to cover the cost of the retaining wall.
- FY23 May recycling cost- \$47.61/ton. This was read and reviewed by Herbert Butzke.
- Transfer station hauling MOU's- was read, reviewed and signed by Herbert Butzke. One copy to BOH records, one copy to be sent back to Waste Management.

The following inspections were read and reviewed by Herbert Butzke.

Inspections:

- 5/24/2023 – Food Service Inspection, Rowe School (approximately 9am)- Report has not been seen. Herb will follow-up
- 5/26/2021 – PERC test for new construction – 17 Middletown Rd
- 5/31/2023 – PERC test for new construction – 0 Davenport Rd
- 5/31/2023 – Camp and Food Inspections – Rowe Camp- Herb will follow-up with Randy
- 6/07/2023 – PERC test for repair of system – 17 Kings Highway

Nursing Updates:

Rachel Lewis read and reviewed the nursing updates for the month of May

- Individual statistics: May- 12 days worked, 136 patients seen, avg 11pts/day, 115 of those patients were 65+
- BP month went well: Total of 60 BPs taken, about 10 people came to get some BPs taken that I normally wouldn't see. 2 winners: Myra Carlow and Jeff Bailey. Thinking of doing a 'Get Educated about your Meds month' next, possibly in August or September.
- Covid updates: past 7 days Massachusetts- 803 new cases, 159 hospitalizations) 34 primarily for Covid and 9 deaths. (All less than last month)
 - Covid in Franklin County: 17 cases in Franklin county in last 2 weeks, 0 in Rowe
- I am working with FRCOG to get a 2nd Bivalent Booster (for 65+) out to homebound residents or those who find it difficult to get to a pharmacy/PCP to get it.
- Masking? I have followed more or less the hospital guidelines on masking requirements which is no more masking unless I feel it is necessary and/or patients ask for me to mask or if I have a cough/cold.
 - The BOH agreed with this (masking if symptomatic or if patients ask for mask to be worn).

Housatonic Basin Water Testing:

- Herb reviewed the Housatonic Basin Sampling Testing reports. All levels remain safe.

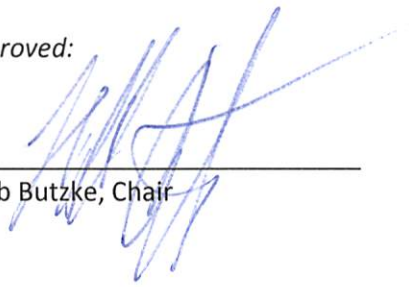
Correspondence: N/A

New Business: Robert Beaumier, transfer station attendant, voiced concerns over fencing which needed repairs. – Herb states he will look into this and contact Rob directly about these concerns.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:52 pm unanimously

Next meeting: June 21, 2023, at 6:00 pm

Approved:



Herb Butzke, Chair

Daniel Poplawski



Kathleen Atwood