

**December 9, 2018
Town of Peru
Community Center
3 Main Rd
Peru, MA 01235**

Minutes of the Board of Health Meeting 12/3/2018

1. Call to order 6:08 PM.
2. Roll call Jayne Smith, Nanette Mone, Peggy White and Kay Miller present.
3. State Recording status: Peggy White.
4. Minutes from the previous meeting 10/15/18 reviewed, no corrections. A motion made and seconded and all voted in favor to approve the minutes from the previous meeting 8/27/18.
5. Jayne Smith in follow up from previous meeting minutes: a letter has been drafted and will be approved this week regarding Title V issues in Becket with home purchased by cash.
6. Permit Applications Jayne updated permit book and made copies. The current permit process will continue through the calendar year of 2018 and starting in 2019 all permits will be in one folder kept in Jayne's office, with a numbered list on the inside, as 2019-1, 2019-2. Also there will be a BOH activity log with list of progress and report of Jayne's activity and what has been processed like perc test results, noting if witnessed, title V inspection report and status kept in BOH box. A file will be kept for failed Title V. There will also be an active file check list on the inside cover of each file regarding status. Permits can now be picked up at Jayne's office other than her office hours. Only new permit is Daly and Sons Solid Waste Hauler, Motion was made and seconded to approve the permit and all voted yes.

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Hog Weed Update: state was given an eight year (takes 8 years for seed bait to go away) grant through the Dept of Agriculture for removal of hog weed and Peru has been included in the grant. The reporting process will be placed on the town website by Jayne. Request that this information be posted at the transfer station and given to the Highway Department. BOH may get involved with contacting the land owner before eradication.

8. Well Regulation: There are well regulations for public water supplies that provide water for over 25 people for 15 or more days during the year, there are no state regulation for private wells, so having town regulations are very worthwhile to have, It was recommended by Jayne that the BOH consider adopting town well regulations. There are suggested state regulations which was recommended to review at the next meeting. Also draft septic regulations developed by Franklin County (FRCOG) would be helpful to consider ie that all septic systems be witnessed. These policies can prevent drive by Title V's. Will also review these policies at the next meeting.
9. Fee schedule Jayne shared a comparison list of current fees for Becket, Washington, Peru and Windsor with suggested fees. Windsor is voting on a new fee schedule. Goal is to get the fees all in align between the different towns. Plan to review and discuss at the next meeting. In the future 2019-2020 BRPC considering to maintain sustainability by doing fee for service versus flat fee where BRPC will collect the fees directly and annual budget to the town will be reduced.
10. Regarding the 10/16/18 Listening Session for BOH members: feedback BOH members want ability to ask questions with other town's BOH, considering developing a List Serve where topics can be saved, more training was requested and on line training was requested.
11. Jayne reports that a grant is being applied for helping with the cost of extra time involved with septic issues for cash sale homes to help defray town cost, plan to have a pilot program in other

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towns first. Jayne also sent an email to all garbage and septic haulers.

12. Next Meeting 2/11/19 at 6:00PM with agenda items to include a grant from Atty General for dilapidated houses for either to fix or demolish with some of the money going to the home owner, review policy from Franklin County septic regulations, private well regulations, Becket letter planning to be sent to new home owners that had no title V received and fee schedule.
13. Meeting adjourned 7:16 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted as a draft 12/10/18 by Peggy White



Peggy White