

Town of Peru
Community Center
3 Main Rd
Peru, MA 01235

Minutes of the Board of Health Meeting April 29, 2019

1. Call to order 6:15 PM.
2. Roll call Kay Miller, Nanette Mone, Peggy White and Jayne Smith present.
3. State Recording status: Peggy White.
4. Review of minutes of 3/4/19 and 3/25/19. Motion made to approve the minutes without corrections, except to strike the top date on each minutes, Nanette and Peggy who were present at previous meetings both vote yes.
5. Permit applications and Jayne Smith report: 2 Title V inspections failed: 125 Middlefield Rd where one line was clogged, 1 partially clogged and D box was tilted. A proposal was submitted to add another leaching area next to the clogged lines and 89 Hickinbotham Rd was completely swamped and failed and private well drilled in 1997 never had a certificate of compliance for water quality signed. 57 North Rd had a Title V inspection septic tank never had T drains, Title V passed now with repairs, 5 David Rd Title V passed, 142 South Rd new lot with septic permit made before change in well location, well location was submitted to engineer and waiting for copies. 13 Garnet Mt Rd Title V needs assessment still pending. 99 Middlefield Rd Title V inspection waiting for paperwork. There was a mis-communication about the appointment time and as the owner had crew and equipment waiting. Jayne is requesting a waive of the Title V witness fee to compensate the owner. Motion made to waive the TV fee for 99 Middlefield Rd and all voted in favor. The new fee schedule was approved by the Select Board. Plan to send the letter of non-compliance for home sold without Title V inspection will be sent with next quarterly property tax bill. The 3 part Hepatitis B vaccines for Police and Fire Department members will be their own responsibility and be obtained through their primary care or pharmacy. Jayne reviewed her new procedures with Activity Log, permit book, Failed septic list and financial folders all accessible in her office. She feels the new system is working well. Jayne will see if BOH members can get a copy of a key to her office and file cabinet and consider having the Town Clerk hold the key.
6. Nanette will discuss with Caleb the process for the Alliance contracts for the next fiscal year and see if hard copies of the contract have been received as well as current invoices. The BOH had previously approved the contracts.
7. There is a grant from the ~~AT~~ for towns to fund demolition of dilapidated and abandoned houses. Windsor has 3 dilapidated homes on cue for demolition. At the present time no dilapidated houses are in need of demolition in Peru. There are funds available for home repairs like a new roof from Community Development Block Grant capped at \$50,000, second option if owners do not know what to do with the house there is a plan from the ~~AT~~ to bring the homes up to code and then sell it with the town first in line for the money, second in line is the receiver, who did the repairs and lastly after all liens the money goes to the home owner, but this rarely happens and little is left for the home owner. This is the process of receivership when the home owner no longer has control of the home. The Board can determine up to 2 homes a year to be taken care of, but there is a lot of background work and court time involved in the process. The Select Board, Town Administrator and Charlie Kaniecki are needed to initiate but the AT office takes over the case once approved. These homes can contribute to blight, public health and safety issues. Jayne will get the hard copy with information about the AT grant for

Nanette to present to the Select Board. Hilltown CDC, Taconic Fund has grants and Jayne suggests information for these grants be gathered and placed on the website. Peggy will contact the Taconic Foundation and Nanette will contact Hilltown CDC or information to put on the website regarding funds available to home owners for home repair and needed projects.

8. Next meeting will be 6/17/19 at 6:00PM. Add the FRCOG policy re wells, review state regulations which was tabled for this meeting, report from Emerging Infectious Disease Workshop and plan for town, information on sources of funds for homeowners for home repairs to put on website, ie septic field failed, now what do I do, welcome new member of BOH and reorganization of the board to the agenda.
9. Jayne and Nanette will find a time to test the water.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20PM.

~~Minutes respectfully submitted as a draft 5/6/19 by Peggy White~~

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