

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
BOARD OF HEALTH
MAY 14, 2018
FIRST FLOOR MEETING ROOM
6:00 PM**

Board Members Present: Sarah Gulotta, Chairman
Eileen Clarke
David Lewis

Board Members Not Present: Walter Hewins, III
David A. Smith, Jr.

Others Present: Jill Hughes, Board Secretary
Members of the public (see sign in sheet)

Chairman S. Gulotta called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Housing Complaint and Inspection 627 South Main Street: A neighbor was present to discuss his concerns with the Board. Chairman Gulotta stated that an inspection was conducted this morning with Jayne Smith of the Berkshire Public Health Alliance. The owners were not present to allow access to the property, but it was apparent from the right-of-way that there are a number of violations. The Board reviewed and discussed the draft Emergency Condemnation and Order to Secure. A discussion ensued. **D. Lewis motioned, with a second from E. Clarke to determine the dwelling is unfit for human habitation and is a nuisance and to issue an emergency condemnation order and order to secure. The motion passed 3-0.**

Update: Dalton Sewage Leak into the Housatonic River: The Board briefly discussed the sewer line that broke in Dalton and leaked sewage into the Housatonic River. The office received no phone calls from residents regarding the matter.

Discussion on Horses kept in the Water Supply Protection District: The Board's secretary updated them on a complaint that was brought to the Board of Selectmen. The Animal Inspector and the ASPCA have both conducted several inspections on the property and found no issues. The property is in the Zone 2 Public Water Supply Area. A call was placed to the MassDEP Drinking Water Protection Program for more information. They do not prohibit horses or any animal being kept within a Zone 2 area. The Board discussed the Right to Farm Bylaw. **E. Clarke motioned, with a second from D. Lewis that the complaint is not a Board of Health concern at this time. The motion passed 3-0.**

Approval of Minutes: The Board reviewed draft meeting minutes from April 9, 2018. **S. Gulotta motioned, with a second from D. Lewis to approve the April 9, 2018 minutes as written. The motion passed 3-0.**

Upcoming Conferences/Mail: There were no conferences or mail to discuss.

Berkshire Public Health Alliance: The Board reviewed and discussed the contract with BRPC/BPHA for inspectional services for the Town. **S. Gulotta motioned, with a second from E. Clarke to recommend approval of the contract to the Board of Selectmen. The motion passed 3-0.**

Chairman Gulotta talked about the grants that the Alliance has received for food inspections and camp trainings. The next meeting for the Alliance will be in June.

There being no further business before the Board. **D. Lewis motioned, with a second from E. Clarke to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

The following documents were reviewed during the Board's meeting and have been retained as required by the Massachusetts Public Retention Policy: Meeting Agenda, Draft 4/9/18 meeting minutes, draft emergency condemnation order and order to secure for 627 S. Main St., BRPC/BPHA contract.

Respectfully submitted by:



Jill Hughes
Board Secretary

Board of Health

Date: May 14, 2018

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