BOARD OF HEALTH PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES JUNE 7, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Hoyt called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Peter Hoyt, Vice-Chairman David Rhoads, Bruce Shepley, Tom Romaniak, Code enforcement, Pam Gerry (Admin Asst.)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Jack Guerino, (iBerkshires), Bill Martischnig, Paul Laliberte, Tony Mazzucco; town administrator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of May 3, 2017. Motion made to accept by Rhoads, 2nd by Shepley. Approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

Signage Proposal for Trash Haulers: No one from the public present during discussion. Language as written discussed and accepted, with implementation date Sept 1, 2017. After hearing, Mr. Paul Laliberte arrived. Policy explained. Copy of new language provided.

Plastic Bag Policy: Tony Mazzucco clarified the language and intent. Food with sauces, gravies, wet, etc. from restaurants exempt, farmers markets and food stands, church bazaars, and other small non-licensed groups exempt. Biodegradable bags are not defined. The BOH can undertake the term Biodegradable at their choosing to clarify and add to language if it is felt to be necessary.

CLOSED CASES:

- West Mountain Rd. Trash.
- 8 Valley St unkempt property (taxes paid, not condemned, not occupied)
- 9 Glendale St unregistered vehicle, deteriorating property
- 27 Orchard St mess in yard, resolved
- 7 Bob's Hill Dog feces complaint, unfounded
- 66 Howland Ave Complaints of vermin
- 3 Myrtle St Smell from adjoining apartment, unfounded
- 6 Kerr Ave in conjunction with 66 Howland Ave complaint
- 2-10 First St. Trash in wooded area of property. Owner in nursing home.
- 52 No Summer St over flowing trash. Resolved
- 10 Phillips Hill hoarding, cat urine odors. Unfounded
- 3 First St Landlord /tenant
- 11-13 Cherry St follow up

CURRENT CASES:

The following cases remain open:

- 13 Pearl Street; Buda Agreed to terms of court, has 120 days to comply
- 23 1/2 Murray St.- Gallagher. In Probate Court. On-going
- 7 Hathaway Street-Schofield-Powell. Tom contacting Brian Shea for court follow up
- 6 Forest Park Ave, Laliberte Junk in yard. Referred to building inspector.
- Upper East Hoosac St Consult with DPW Bruce to F/U

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Syringe disposal ongoing/update
- Transfer station update. Looking at Sept implementation. Details being finalized.
- Sierra Club letter regarding safety concern utility pipelines. Board endorsed letter. Chairman Hoyt to contact MAHB
- Maven report update. BOH will still receive monthly report. Will not contain names associated with reporting's.

REVIEW MAIL:

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for July 5 at 4:00PM.

ADJOURN: A motion made by Bruce Shepley to adjourn the meeting at 5:10pm, seconded by David Rhoads. Passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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