Minutes of a public meeting held on May 9, 2022, by the Sandwich Board of Health in the Human Services Building Meeting Room, 270 Quaker Meetinghouse Road, Sandwich, MA.

Members Present: Rebecca Lovell Scott, David Liskowsky, Ronald Hurley

Health Agent Present: David Mason

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Woodbury

Others Present: Jan Tachan

1. The meeting was brought to order by Rebecca Lovell Scott at 7:00 p.m.

2. Public Hearing to Amend the Sandwich Board of Health Private Well Regulation as allowed under the provisions of Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 111, Section 31 and 27A, to amend the section Test of Water Quality Upon Transfer of Real Estate, Subsection (2) to include Registered Sanitarians and Professional Civil/Sanitary Engineers as being able to conduct the required Yield Test on a private well for the purpose of a real estate transfer.

David Mason explained to the Board the current Private Well Regulation, which limits the yield testing to Licensed Well Drillers. Due to the limited availability of Well Drillers and the high demand for property transactions, the proposed amendment to the current Well Regulation would include Registered Sanitarians and Professional Civil/Sanitary Engineers to conduct the required yield test for property transfers. David Liskowsky made a motion to amend the current Private Well Regulation, seconded by Ronald Hurley. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0.

3. Discussion and review of proposal for the Board of Health to adopt Poultry Regulations. Review of proposed poultry regulation. Vote to move proposed poultry regulations to a public hearing.

Mr. Mason discussed the many complaints that Health Department has received regarding roosters and poorly kept chicken coops resulting in rat infestations. David Liskowsky read the draft regulation to the Board for discussion. After a brief conversation, David Mason told the Board he would revise the proposed Poultry Regulation for a public hearing at the next Board of Health Meeting.


David Mason presented the Board with the schedule for herbicide application in the 2022 Yearly Operational Plan from the Massachusetts Coastal Railroad.


Rebecca Lovell Scott made a motion to nominate David Mason as the Inspector of Animals for the Town of Sandwich, seconded by David Liskowsky. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0.
6. Complaints regarding Brush Burning

David Mason informed the Board that the Health Department had received a complaint regarding brush burning. The Sandwich Fire Department allows brush burning from January 15 til May 1st, weather permitting.

7. Reserved for topics not anticipated by the Chair

No topics were discussed.

8. Approval of Minutes from April 11, 2022

Ronald Hurley made a motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Health Meeting from April 11, 2022 as written, seconded by David Liskowsky. The motion passed with a vote of 3-0-0.

9. Adjourn Meeting

Ronald Hurley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m., seconded by David Liskowsky. The motion passed with a vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]

Jennifer Woodbury
Board of Health Administrative Assistant

Date Approved: 4/13/22