

# **TOWN OF SALISBURY**

# **BOARD OF HEALTH**

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### **December 4, 2018**

#### **BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES**

7:00 PM

Salisbury Town Hall

**Board Members Present:** 

Sue Ring, Ron Laffely, Denise Peterson

**Board Members Absent:** 

Dan Richard

Staff:

John Morris-Health Director

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM.

### **Minutes**

None

### **Old Business**

Continuation of Hearing for fine issued to Fannie Mae regarding 52 Forest Road Housing Code Violations.

(Mr. Morris) states at the November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting, Fannie Mae appealed the fine to the Board. Town Counsel stated they were not exempt; Mr. McHugh stated they were exempt. At that meeting, the board upheld the entire amount of the fine; there was no settlement offer made to the Board.

(Mr. Morris) states that Attorney McHugh sent an email that Fannie Mae would resolve the matter for \$4,500 and subsequently the court case would be dismissed. The Town Manager recommends to accept this settlement as it is still a significant fine. It will enable the Town to recover its costs.

(Mr. Laffely) asks what the costs were to the Town for this case. (Mr. Morris) explains costs included court appearances, all paperwork, Building Inspector input, etc. An approximate cost estimate would be \$1,100. (Mr. Laffely) inquires if the Board and Town did not accept this

proposal, what would happen. (Mr. Morris) responded that the case would have to go to court and it would be costly. (Mr. Morris) states that the new owner has done a lot of work.

**MOTION:** Ms. Ring made a motion to accept the fine settlement and dismiss the case. Ms. **Peterson** seconds the motion. Motion passes (3-0)

#### **New Business**

Amend Tobacco Control Regulations to ban sales of vaping products and tobacco products to persons under 21 years of age. See Page 2-3 of agenda for proposed amendments.

(Mr. Morris) states that Mr. Ron Beauregard, Director of Tobacco Control for Healthy Communities is in the audience.

(Mr. Morris) explains that multiple requests have been made for the Board to change the age to purchase tobacco to age 21. The state has raised the age to 21 effective 12/31/2018. After a meeting with Mr. Beauregard and also a request from the Salisbury Board of Selectmen, it is suggested that the Town adopt this new age.

(Mr. Beauregard) approaches the podium and explains another amendment that the Board would adopt; to ask for ID for anyone who appears under the age 40 as opposed to the state law of age 27. This amendment has worked well in other communities.

(Mr. Morris) explains this regulation will be effective upon publication; in the Town's case, December 28, 2018.

(Mr. Laffely) inquires as to how the vendors are being notified. (Mr. Morris) explains that Mr. Beauregard mailed out a letter last week about the hearing to the vendors. If the Board votes tonight, the vendors will be notified by mail.

**MOTION:** Ms. Peterson made a motion to accept the changes and recommendations effective December 28, 2018 as stated and change the legal sales age to 21 and the products that are restricted and the verbage that is recommended. Ms. Ring seconds the motion. Motion passes (3-0)

#### **Health Nurse Quarterly Report to the Board**

None- presented at next meeting.

### **Health Officer Report**

None – presented at next meeting.

# Correspondence

None

# **Public Comments**

None

Next Meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2019.

# <u>Adjourn</u>

Ms. Ring motions to adjourn, Ms. Peterson seconds the motion. 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:23 PM

Date: 17 -4 - 18

Daniel Richard

Ron Laffely

Sue King

**Denise Peterson** 

# Respectfully submitted by Teresa Mahoney

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