



# TOWN OF SALISBURY

## BOARD OF HEALTH

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June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

7:00 PM Salisbury Town Hall

### **Board Members Present:**

Chuck Takesian, Dan Richard, Jackie De Stasio, Ron Laffely

### **Staff:**

Jack Morris, Catherine Scott

*Meeting called to order 7:00 pm*

### Board Reorganization

Chuck has been elected as selectman. He will be withdrawing from the Board effectively at the end of the meeting.

Jackie motions Dan as the new chairperson. Chuck seconds the motion. Ron, Dan vote to approve the motion. 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

Chuck makes a motion to vote Ron new vice president. Dan seconds. Jackie, Ron vote to approve the motion. Vote 4, 0 opposed.

Dan makes a motion to vote Jackie to continue as secretary. Chuck seconds. Jackie, Ron vote to approve the motion. Vote 4, 0 opposed.

Chuck takes this time to thank the Board for his time serving and is grateful that he was able to serve his community so. He looks forward to working as a selectman.

### Minutes

The minutes must be signed before being filed with the town clerk.

### New Business

#### 250 North End Boulevard:

Request for an Appeal of Fines

- 1) Violations of Massachusetts State Sanitary Code, Chapter II, 105 CMR 410.00

On March 10th, Jack received a complaint from a renting resident of 250 North End Boulevard who claims they did not have heat March 6th and 7th as well as throughout other

months. Certain electrical sockets were not working, there were periods of time without heat and water, and sidewalks were not cleared of snow. These are considered life-threatening and must be addressed within 24 hours. Ms. Schofield corrected all violations except the heat, and one room would not maintain a temperature of 68 degrees. For these reasons, she was fined \$100 a day.

Janet Scofield explains that she put a heater in the room that remained 68 degrees. Several plumbers refused to handle the problem during the low temperature and constant snow. Dan asks for how long a space heater should be used for emergency. It is for 24 hours. Jackie asks what type of system it is. It is forced hot water. Ms. Scofield explains that the system was fixed in the spring after the weather. Jackie asks why there was a cut in rent. Ms. Scofield explains that it was done because of the lack of heat in that room until the spring. Chuck asks how they were supposed to do this when the entire heating system would need to be shut out. The house has two sections of heating, so only one would need to be shut down and major construction would need to occur.

Jack explains that in a previous case, the land lord was ordered to put the tenants up while the construction took place. Chuck explains that if a forced hot water system is blocked, the entire system would fail rather than one room. Jackie asks how she handled the situation of space heaters being temporary and why she did not consider other options such as putting the tenant up in a hotel. Ms. Scofield says she was not told to do so.

Chuck feels that this was a difficult situation that was addressed though not in a timely fashion. Ron feels that the entire house needing to be shut down is unlikely as is having to wait until the spring. Jack says nothing was done until he filed a criminal complaint on April 29th, 2015. The initial date from the tenant was March 10th, 2015. Chuck says a landlord who is not an owner of multiple properties may struggle to find help at a short notice.

Jackie would have handled the situation by fixing it immediately. Ms Scofield has American Shield to cover the entire building and Home Serve for electricity and plumbing. Ron asks why they would not do the service. She explains that they would not do the service until the spring. Jack asks why they did not do the work until the date of the court hearing. Home Serve chose that date based on the weather. She also explains that the snow was so excessive throughout the winter and was cited despite her best efforts to clear it.

Dan feels that the Board could reduce the fine. Jack explains that they can hold the fines in abatement, and if there are future violations, the current fines in addition to future fines would all apply at once.

**Jackie makes a motion to abate the fines for a year as long as no future violations occur from June 16th, 2015. Chuck seconds. Ron, Dan motion to approve. 4 in favor, 0 opposed.**

Joseph Dabrowski:

Application for Body Art

- 1) Requesting approval of educational requirements
- 2) Requesting approval of use of New Hampshire practice as experience for two years

Jack explains that Mr. Dabrowski applied for a permit to tattoo at 213 Lafayette Road at Keepsake Custom Tattoo. Mr. Dabrowski explains that he had 14 years' experience but that Jack felt that had no relevance in Massachusetts. Jack says the applicant does not have two years of experience in Massachusetts or college-accredited A+P course. The Board must decide if the experience in New Hampshire and the unaccredited course are enough.

Jackie asks about Mike Wallace and says he was a one man operation. Does he have credentials? He worked with the Board allegedly in 2011. Jack says there has been no change in regulation since 2009. A current artist there, Brent Cummings, was licensed after taking the 40 hour A+P course provided by Mike Wallace. Salisbury does not allow apprenticeships. The current applicant is not licensed in Massachusetts. Mike Wallace supposedly helped to set up the New Hampshire regulations. Jackie questions his ability to teach a course as rigorous as A+P in 40 hours. Mr. Dabrowski explains that other people employed by Keepsake received their license. Jack explains that there is no proof in writing from the prior Board of Health that they adopted this course as acceptable. The criteria explains that there is a six month window where the people who work at Keepsake could have been covered and accepted using Mr. Wallace's A+P course. Jack explains that this regulation has existed long term and has not changed. Jackie says they need proof that Mr. Wallace is accredited before they could accept him. Ron agrees.

Don Beaulieu explains that the development of the regulations were done in workshops which are not minuted or televised. There were tattoo artists working with the Board of Health. Whatever they agreed upon was not in the minutes.

Dan explains that the Board does not have issue with his experience but rather with the A+P course. Jack explains that there needs to be documentation for future members of the Board to review. There needs to be proof that he is accredited to teach this course. Could he work under someone else's license while taking an accredited A+P course?

Jackie motions to approve a six month apprenticeship at which point he must prove his A+P course was accredited or take an accredited course. Chuck seconds. 4,0. Dan stipulates that he cannot perform any piercings until Jack gives him his license.

#### Member's Report

Ron feels the Board needs more members and more viewpoints. Jack says doctors, firemen, engineers, just about anyone would help the Board to grow and improve.

#### Correspondence

CRR is asking for help with retailing of tobacco.

MHOA details the violations of tobacco at several locations in Salisbury. The federal government does their own audits. The Board would like to discuss it further.

**Jackie makes a motion to adjourn. Chuck seconds. Dan, Ron vote to approve the motion. 4 in favor, 0 opposed. 8:30pm.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Daniel Richard – Chairperson

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Ron Laffely—Vice Chairperson

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Jackie De Stasio – Clerk

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Chuck Takesian

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Scott

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Catherine Scott

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Date