

KINGSTON BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
July 10, 2023

Present: Chairman Joe Casna, Vice Chairman Bill Kavol. Members Dennis Randall, Janet Wade and Heidi Whipple.

Absent: Health Agent Joyce Krystofolski

6:02 p.m. Kingston Board of Health Meeting was called to order by Joe Casna.

BILLS:

- Bills for June 26, 2023, reviewed.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

6:03 pm Motion made by Dennis Randall to accept the meeting minutes of June 26, 2023.

Second: Bill Kavol

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HEALTH AGENT REPORT:

Approved Septic Plans:

- 6 Autumn Lane Permit expires 8/31/25
- 234 Brookdale Permit expires 5/24/26
- 7 Charles Drive Permit expires 3/16/26
- 15 Charles Drive Permit expires 3/16/26
- 55 Longwood Circle Permit expires 12/19/25
- 6 Nava Landing Permit expires 5/3/25
- 32 Ocean Hill Drive Permit expires 6/22/26
- 112 Parting Ways Permit expires 3/23/26
- 165 Pembroke Street Permit expires 5/15/26
- 9 School Street Permit expires 2/21/26
- 10 Sequoia Drive Permit expires 6/20/26
- 8 Smelt Pond Road Permit expires 3/6/26
- 123 Wapping Road w/ conditions

Pending Construction Permits

- 17 Brentwood Road
- 6 Charles Drive
- 22 Charles Drive
- 26 Charles Drive
- 31 Charles Drive
- 34 Charles Drive
- 35 Charles Drive
- 38 Charles Drive
- 39 Charles Drive
- 42 Charles Drive

- 43 Charles Drive
- 46 Charles Drive
- 47 Charles Drive
- 51 Charles Drive
- 54 Charles Drive
- 55 Charles Drive
- 60 Country Club Way
- 21 Kennedy Road
- 17 Lydon Lane
- 49 Winthrop Street
- 20 Bog View Rd

Wells

- 1 Well permit issued.

Complaints

3 Smith Street - complaint issued 6/20/2023 – correction completed - case closed 7/3/2023.

Retail Permits

- 2 Retail permits issued. We found out a new business opened at the Kingston mall that does not have a permit to sell prepackaged food. An application was emailed to them.

Pool Inspections:

- The final pool inspection was completed on 6/27/23. All pool inspections completed. It was reported by the Certified Pool Operator that the Baymont is not opening their pool so that was not inspected.

Department

- Lori updated the Healthy Kingston webpage with all the episode links.
- Second vaccine reimbursement check received July 3rd in the amount of \$165.17.
- Letter to tobacco merchants – in packet for review
- Options for non-potable water supplies in packet for review.

DISCUSSION:

- Tobacco fines. Joe read a draft letter from the Health Agent that makes sure all Tobacco merchants are clear that any violation will be fined. Joyce will hand deliver to all license holders and, if needed, give a copy for their corporate headquarters. This is an advisory notice. They will be duly warned.

6:08 pm Motion made by Heidi Whipple to accept the letter as presented for disbursement to all tobacco licensed holders within the town.

Second: Bill Kavol

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- Well signage. Joe is concerned with workers drinking from garden hoses where the water may come from shallow wells and the quality of the water is unknown. Joyce looked into tags/signage for silcocks, hoses, etc. There are examples in English and Spanish. Heidi stated that they should be in English and Portuguese instead of Spanish. Janet suggested sending a letter to businesses mentioning this. Joe thinks it is a good idea but where would this begin and end?

6:10 pm Motion made by Heidi Whipple for irrigation well signage on outdoor spickets or devices for water disbursement in both English and Portuguese shall be made available to all residents and businesses.

Second: Bill Kavol

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HEALTHY KINGSTON:

- Taping will be on July 20th. The guest speakers will be Joyce and Lori. She is still waiting to hear from Linda Riordan and Pat Iafrate from the PHE Grant to see if they will also appear on the show.
- Janet is still waiting to hear from the children's librarian and the library director for a meeting date to discuss Healthy Kingston Kids.

Joe stated that a couple of applications for the Public Health Nurse position have come in and Joyce is not going to hire anyone just for the sake of hiring someone.

- Janet was at the Baymont Hotel today administering COVID tests to the refugees. About 25 staff and guests. A couple of guests there had tested positive at the hospital. The tests she did today were all negative. Masks are being worn at the hotel.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED:

- Pool Inspections. Joyce is qualified to perform them. She has had the training and is going to get the equipment. We will no longer outsource this. It should not be a conflict.
- Tobacco regulations. The Board will be proactive on this.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Conservation Agent had mentioned to Joe and Lori, a tool to remove ticks. Would the Board be interested in obtaining these? Joyce can obtain one for the next meeting.
- Bill said he has heard that the treatment of patients at Wingate is not good. This is at the long-term care facility. Heidi stated that the Department of Public Health needs to be notified. It only takes one person to make a complaint to get them to make a visit to the facility. It is a very involved process to investigate.

NEXT MEETING:

- July 24, 2023

ADJOURN

6:25 p.m. Motion to Adjourn made by Dennis Randall

Second: Bill Kavol

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Lori Jones, Administrative Assistant
Kingston Board of Health

Approved: July 24, 2023