

Buckland Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2019 7:00 p.m.
Buckland Town Hall

AGENDA

1. Open the Meeting
2. Discussion: Rules and regulations regarding open burning across Town Departments, with Buckland Fire and Buckland Police
3. Health directors report
4. Review March and April minutes and approve
5. MTWP—statement in writing or attend Selectboard meeting
6. Update M. Calianos CPHS presentation: "Updating Local Tobacco Regs and Policy Initiatives in the era of legal cannabis and vaping."
7. Discuss Buckland's new Single Use Plastics Ban enforcement
8. Planning update: Tick and TBD awareness events
9. Discuss Trolley Fest food permit application
10. Open and process mail
11. Any other items not reasonably anticipated by Chairman 48 hour prior to meeting
12. Public comment
13. Adjourn the meeting

ATTENDEES

Richard Warner, Chairman
Marti Taft Ferguson, Member
Terry Estes, member
Andrea Crete FRCOG County Health Agent
Herb Guyette Buckland Fire Chief
Police Chief Hicks and Sgt. Kirk Gimore Buckland Police

Meeting

1. Meeting open at 7:05 P M
2. Fire Chief Guyette passed out copies of regs used by the fire department to deal with open burning in metal or porcelain fire pits, habichi's, grills, etc. These regs and definitions are from the NFPA 1-2015 and are similar to the existing Mass State regs. The bottom line is any and all of these types of outdoor burning must be used primarily for cooking and use clean, seasoned wood or charcoal and

at all times be tended by an adult with the means to extinguish the fire at hand.

3. Andrea Crete reported on recent changes in the state laws about short term rentals—the state will continue to register and have taxes on any rental property used more than 14 days in a calendar year. The Buckland of Health will continue in its role of providing information about requirements but no active role in inspections.
4. March and April minutes reviewed and approved and signed by the board
5. The Board position on the advisability of the Town's opting into the MTWP was discussed—it was decided to attend the Selectman's meeting when the MTWP's designated representative, Stacy Kontrabecki makes her presentation.
6. Updating local tobacco regs discussed—Buckland's regs are up to date on tobacco regulations including vaping products.
7. The single use plastics ban was discussed, in the absence of the actual written document passed at town meeting, and the food inspections done by Andrea Crete will be expanded to include education about and inspecting for the correct use under this new Town Bylaw.
8. Tick awareness efforts at Bridge of Flowers plant sale and Buckland Library discussed.
9. Trolley Fest exploring food possibilities at fall fest. Board agrees to waive temporary food permit fee, but awaits more details.
10. Mail processed and filed.
11. Other items not anticipated. Noise complaints about roosters on Clesson Brook Rd. Marti Ferguson, Large Animal Officer, has scheduled an inspection for noon on May 16th, and additionally checked the details of the noise complaint. Terry Estes will be present as well for the inspection.
12. No public comments
13. Terry Estes moved to adjourn, Marti seconded and vote was unanimous to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM

Approved:

Terry Estes

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