

OPEN SESSION MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN & BOARD OF HEALTH

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

DAVID SHEEDY, CHAIRMAN
PETER SPAGONE JR., VICE CHAIRMAN
CAROLE JULIUS, CLERK

TOWN HALL, 1st FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 175 CENTRAL STREET EAST BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

Members Present: David Sheedy, Peter Spagone Jr. and Carole Julius, Board of Selectmen; Rob Lyons, Matthew Foster and Lisa Lesogor, Board of Health

Members Absent:

Others Present: James Purcell, Interim Town Administrator, Rebecca Johnson, Assistant to Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen, Susan Mulloy, Board of Health Administrative Assistant

9:05 am Rob Lyons called the joint meeting to order.

Mr. Lyons led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Lyons stated about a month ago the Board of Health Agent has separated from the Town. He stated the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the direction forward and department organization. Mr. Purell wanted to know how department operated without a health agent for a month. Mr. Lyons stated it has been challenging during the pandemic. The department is busy with new construction and septic systems. He commended Ms. Mulloy for all her works and efforts within department due to current circumstances. He stated the department is getting outside help with food and septic inspections. Rob Casper of West Bridgewater helps with food inspections and Bob Buker of Buker and Sons helps with septic system inspections two days a week. Mr. Lyons stated the Board of Health has discussed a few options regarding department organization. Recently, an opportunity has been presented where John Delano who has worked with East Bridgewater for a number of years expressed interest in the Health Agent vacancy. Mr. Lyons would like to entertain and bring Mr. Delano on board full-time as the Health Agent / Conservation Commission Agent. There was a brief discussion on Mr. Delano background, job experience and proposed joint positions. Mr. Foster stated no one in the office has the authority to do the work on behalf of the Board of Health. The Board relies on outside contractors as Ms. Mulloy does not have the authority to. Mr. Lyons wanted suggestions and opinions from both boards.

There was a discussion on Ms. Mulloy role within department and on the job training to possibly become a Health Agent. Ms. Lesogor stated the current Health Agent position has evolved immensely. She stated that Ms. Mulloy most likely is not looking to take on this role on top of what she is already doing. There was a discussion on clerical support and what level of authority can be granted to Ms. Mulloy.

Ms. Lesogor made a motion to appoint Sue Mulloy as interim health agent until such time a permanent health agent is appointed to the Town of East Bridgewater. Seconded by Mr. Foster. All were in favor. 3-0

Ms. Mulloy requested retroactive compensation from the time Board of Health Agent separated from the Town. There was a brief discussion on request.

Mr. Foster made a motion to invite Mr. John Delano in for an interview with the Board of Health for the Health Agent position. Seconded by Ms. Lesogor. All were in favor. 3-0

Mr. Foster made a motion to compensate Sue Mulloy retroactive equivalent to Health Agent salary from the day Health Agent separated from the Town until June 8, 2021. Seconded by Ms. Lesogor. All were in favor. 3-0

ADJOURN

Motion by Lesogor, second by Mr. Foster. to adjourn. All were in favor, 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am

Carole Tulius Clerk

Board of Selectmen

