



TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Glenn French, Tina Hill and Swati Sane
Town: Casey Mellin - Health Agent, Katie Holt- Admin to Health Dept.

The Board of Health met on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 in the Selectman's Meeting Room of the Northborough Town Offices. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Glenn French.

6:05 - Meeting Notes Review

Glenn French made the motion to approve the October 9, 2018 minutes as recorded, the motion was seconded by Tina Hill, all in favor.

6:12 - Health Agent Update

Casey Mellin, Health Agent updated the board members on the current status of the Health Department. Applebee's and Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza are both closed permanently. The Clam Box has closed and now Sammy's is open in its location at 14 East Main Street. Both Mr. Mellin and Bill Fisher continue to perform food inspections.

The two flu clinics held were well attended, vaccinating roughly 120 people.

Mr. Mellin stated that odor complaints in regards to SA Farms had been quiet for about two weeks, most likely due to the colder weather.

Mr. Mellin has been working with Fred Litchfield on the subject of a town-wide plastic bag ban. There is an anticipated citizens petition on the matter and Mr. Mellin has been researching how other towns have handled a plastic bag ban.

Mr. Mellin mentioned that MDPH recently tested Chauncy Pond and it was discovered that the fish had elevated levels of mercury. As a result, people are advised not to eat largemouth bass and black crappie from Chauncy Pond more than twice per month. Children under 12, pregnant or nursing women and women who may become pregnant should avoid eating them entirely.

Establish future meeting date

The next Board of Health meeting was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, February 12, 2019.

Motion to adjourn at 6:45PM by Glenn French, seconded by Tina Hill, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Holt