

Edgartown Board of Health  
Minutes of February 25, 2020

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The meeting was called to order at 4:30PM. Permit, payrolls and bills were approved and signed by the Board.

Agent Poole briefly updated the Board concerning a regional planning grant for consideration thru the Dept. of Public Health for funding with shared service program. The six island health departments would greatly benefit from an island wide position for services shared with regards to restaurant inspections, housing issues, summer camp, semi-pub pools and weekly summer bathing beach testing support. The grant funding would create a position and work with all the island BOH's with the money management provided thru Dukes County. The Board fully supported the proposal and authorized the Agent to complete the necessary documents for the grant funding request.

**Correspondence**

The Board reviewed a letter addressed to Undersecretary J. Chan at the Dept. of Housing & Community development in support of the renewed grant fund for The Resource, Inc. TRI.

A request was made to the Board from M. Thornton property owner at # 9 Ninth Street, North to house 5 laying hens at their home. A sketch of the area where the chickens will be kept was also included in the written proposal. A motion was made to approve the request as the area will be fully enclosed and will not house a rooster.

Planning Board public hearing notices for # 24 Ocean View Ave, # 50 Oyster Watch Rd. Trust and # 36 Smith Way Trust were discussed as they all have requested swimming pools. No action was taken by the Board at this time.

**Agent's Report**

The Board discussed a special town meeting warrant article to fund the FY2021 contract for the Apple I Pad and Food Code Pro software for food establishment inspections in the amount of \$ 2850.00.

A general discussion took place with the Board members regarding Corona virus and the impact travelers have on public health concerns. Social media and news paper reports aren't always the best information platform with any testing protocol determined by the Dept. of Public Health.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Anthony-Hathaway, Assistant

Approved on: March 10, 2020

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