

Charlemont Board of Health  
May 25, 2016  
Charlemont Town Hall

Present: Doug Telling Co-chair, Rob Lingle co-chair,  
Absent: Trice Hyer  
Guest: Glen Ayers

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

1. Minutes 4-27-16 Approved through signatures
2. Telling Moved and Lingle seconded motion to sign letter supporting state legislation raising the age to purchase tobacco to 21. Passed unanimously.

Hearing on BOH regulation for the Regulation of Environmental Impacts pursuant to MGL Ch. 111 sec 143 and Ch. 44 sec 53 G convened at 6:15 pm

No one present who wanted to comment

Hearing adjourned at 6:30 pm

1. Lingle expressed concern about the provision allowing for a petition by ten residents to the board could be hijacked by citizens with a personal agenda
2. Ayers responded that whether to act on the petition is totally within the discretion of the board and the requirement that the petition provide sufficient evidence of an environmental problem affecting health is to be judged by the board alone.
3. Lingle suggests deleting Section V (and renumbering subsequent sections). Section V contains the petition language.
4. Telling likes the requirement of evidence to accompany a complaint and that if sufficient evidence is presented, the board can order a person to provide a health impact statement upon which the board could act. For a new business, the board could require a site assignment and impact statement, potentially leading to the denial of the site assignment.
5. The regulation will be addressed again at the next meeting.
6. The following documents were received:
  - two water evaluations
  - notice of an insurance claim
  - notice of a lead abatement project
  - a report on a new well submitted by the installer
  - notification from Pan Am Railway of pesticide spraying along tracks
  - three Title V reports
  - eleven pump reports
7. Telling moved that Hyer, Lingle, and Telling be appointed health agents for the town. Lingle seconded. Passed unanimously

8. Telling moved and Lingle seconded a motion to write and transmit a letter to DEP regarding emergency action needed to be taken at 60 Main St. due to water issues. Passed unanimously.

9. Ayers received a request for information on Family Burials. The family is taking the information under advisement.

Telling moved that the meeting be adjourned. Lingle seconded. Passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 7:12 PM

Minutes not official until signed.

## Documents Reviewed

5/25/16

- Agenda 5/25/16
- Minutes of 4/27/16
- Hearing Announcement
- Environmental Impact regulation
- Letter to DEP regarding 60 Main St.