

Time being 7:00 p.m. **January 6, 2020** Eric Arvedon opened the meeting of the Foxborough Board of Health, under the Open Meeting Laws of the State of Massachusetts. Eric Arvedon, Chairman presiding, Paul Steeves, Vice Chairman, Pauline Zajdel, Health Director, and Diane Passafaro, Public Health Coordinator were present. Meeting took place in the Andrew A. Gala, Jr. Meeting Room inside Foxborough Town Hall at 40 South Street. Minutes were taken by Diane Passafaro.

**7:00 p.m. Deputy Chief David Laracy, Foxborough Fire Department – Discussion on developing new regulations for the Town of Foxborough related to fuel oil storage tanks**

Deputy Chief David Laracy with the Foxborough Fire Department currently permits and performs inspections when the removal or replacement of above-ground and underground storage tanks used to store heating oil occurs. He explained his inspections also involve checking for contaminated soil and tank leaks within basements, but recently began looking for a proactive approach to prevent these from ever occurring. He stated other Boards of Health had responded to this environmental issue by developing regulations and asked for the Foxborough Board of Health to consider doing the same.

**7:03 p.m. Elana Dekkers, M.D., Clerk arrived and joined the meeting.**

P. Steeves expressed his interest in the development of a regulation governing activities surrounding these types of tanks, however, asked what role the Board of Health would have regarding enforcement.

D. Laracy stated he would continue to do the inspections and would inspect per the approved Board of Health regulations.

P. Steeves made a motion for the Board of Health, in conjunction with the Foxborough Fire Department, move forward with the creation of a draft regulation on the installation and removal of above ground and underground heating oil storage tanks. Review and approval of the draft regulations to be scheduled for a later date. E. Dekkers seconded the motion. E. Arvedon called for discussion. Hearing none, E. Arvedon called for a vote. All in favor, motion passed 3 – 0.

Hearing no further comments, E. Arvedon declared the matter closed at 7:27 p.m.

**7:27 p.m. Public Hearing: To discuss a new application permit for the Keeping of Animals and Fowl in the Town of Foxborough for Anthony Quartarone, 7 Cranberry Road**

*(No interested parties in attendance relative to this public hearing)*

Anthony Quartarone was present along with his two sons Anthony and Gaetano Quartarone. All three assist in the care of approximately 45 pigeons kept on their property. A. Quartarone explained that he has cared for pigeons since moving to Foxborough in 2003 and was not aware of the permitting requirements, however, had been inspected for many years never resulting in any issues.

P. Zajdel informed the Board she had been in contact with Kaycee Bailey, Foxborough's Animal Control Officer, who reported that inspection records dated back to 2012 and showed no issues.

The Board was provided a map of the property showing the location of manure storage and coops. According to A. Quartarone, feed is kept in metal containers.

There were no further comments related to the application on the table for approval, but discussion continued with A. Quartarone and his sons providing the Board with information on the care and training involved with the racing and the show of pigeons professionally.

E. Dekkers made a motion to approve the application for permit for Anthony Quartarone and allow the keeping of pigeons at 7 Cranberry Road per the Town of Foxborough regulations. P. Steeves seconded the motion. E. Arvedon called for discussion. Hearing none, E. Arvedon called for a vote. All in favor, motion passed 3 – 0.

*(Abutter notifications were mailed by the Owner. All green cards were returned and provided to the Board during the hearing)*

Hearing no further discussion relative to 7 Cranberry Road, E. Arvedon declared the matter closed at 8:00 p.m.

**8:00 p.m.** E. Dekkers made a motion to approve the following bills:

P.Z. (December Communications)	\$50.00
D.P. (December Communications)	\$50.00
J.R. (December Communications, Travel)	\$81.73
Verizon Wireless (Phone Case - PZ)	\$29.99

P. Steeves seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, E. Arvedon called for a vote. All in favor, motion passed, 3 – 0.

**8:03 p.m.** P. Steeves made a motion to approve the minutes of December 16, 2019 as written. E. Dekkers seconded the motion. Hearing no discussion, E. Arvedon called for a vote. All in favor, 3 – 0.

**8:05 p.m. Health Directors Updates**

- The Consultant working with Sals and Mals recently submitted an inspection report. Inspector, John Robertson will perform a routine inspection later this week to assess compliance.
- The Foxborough Health Department was copied on a letter that was sent from the Town of Walpole Water and Sewer Department to the Owners of 2 Washington Street, Foxborough, detailing information and the fees owed related to their delinquent water and sewer taxes.
- The FY21 budget meeting with the Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager and the Finance Director has occurred. The Health Department is asking for an additional Sanitarian position and will be working on strategies to help support this new position financially.

**8:15 p.m.** E. Dekkers made a motion to adjourn. P. Steeves seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed 3 – 0.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 3, 2020.

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Elana Dekkers, M.D., Clerk/dp