

**BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES**



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**TOWN OF SUTTON
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023**

Meeting Location: Sutton Town Hall Meeting Room 1C

Members Present: Ken Malo, Tammi Marois, Diane Miller, Ron San Souci

Staff Present: Cheryl Rawinski, Judy Bater

Absent: Steve Donatelli

Guest/s Present: Julie Daigle

Call to Order: Ken Malo opened the regular meeting of the Board of Health at 7:04 PM.

41B Manchaug Road: Housing Inspection Appeal: Jennifer Dahl Request - Housing Order Appeal. Ken Malo stated that the Sutton Board of Health received several emails from the tenant Jennifer Dahl requesting not to be recorded. Most recent 3:11 PM and 6:01 PM today Tuesday, 9/5/23 requesting to not be recorded in this public meeting. The Town of Sutton meetings are regularly recorded, live streamed and broadcasted to be as transparent as possible. Ms. Dahl has chosen not to attend this meeting and it is our understanding that she wants to appeal that no inspection was conducted on the adjoining apartment. Our overview of this situation will be based on the findings of the inspector, Emily Quinn. Emily introduced herself and stated that on 8/8 she called the tenant to arrange an inspection and offered to come that day. The tenant stated that she needed 24 hour notice. She scheduled for the following Tuesday as Emily is only here on Tuesday. On 8/15 she conducted her inspection and sited both the tenant and landlord for violations. The tenant did attempt to have Emily inspect the other apartment but Emily stated she is not allowed to trespass. The landlord stated that no one lives there, but the tenant left items behind. It was the tenant's boyfriend who was living on the other side, but the tenant threw the boyfriend out of his apartment. Diane asked about animals and the landlord stated yes she has animals and it reeks and she does not clean up after her animals. The landlord hired a management company but they will not enter the apartment until it is safe for them to enter. Emily concurred that the occupant was issued an order to correct, egresses were blocked and food and animal waste and pathways blocked and needed to reinstall smoke detectors within 24 hours and 30 days to clean. Her only appeal is the fact that the inspector did not inspect the empty apartment. Diane stated that she does not have the right to have an inspection of the empty apartment and the Board of Health can't inspect an empty apartment at her request. Emily stated she had electrical issues with the unit and Emily only saw a ceiling light fixture that would turn on and off and that would require the electrical inspector.

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MOTION: Ken Malo made a motion to deny the appeal request to inspect the empty apartment 41A Manchaug Road. Seconded by Ron San Souci. All in favour. Approved.

Emily issued the tenant a 30 day order to clean up her apartment. 30 Days is up on 9/15/23. Tammi suggested to the landlord to make a good faith effort to start the repairs on 41A until you have a safe passage to enter 41B. The landlord asked if she can enter 41A. The Board stated she should call the authorities if she is worried or can't enter the apartment. Ken suggested she document her attempts to correct the issues.

Local Upgrade/Variance: None

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Department Update: Cheryl stated that refugees have settled into our community, unannounced. They had no food, water, transportation, and or services in place. She has been busy working with various agencies and volunteers to make sure they have what is necessary.

Approve Minutes: Tabled

Old New Business: None

Other Business Not Anticipated: None

Well Regulations Review/Geo Thermal: Cheryl will contact Eli Richardson to attend a future meeting to explain Geo Thermal wells.

Tobacco Control Alliance: Joan Hamlett, Director of the Tobacco Alliance, would like to re-introduce herself to the Board in the fall.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

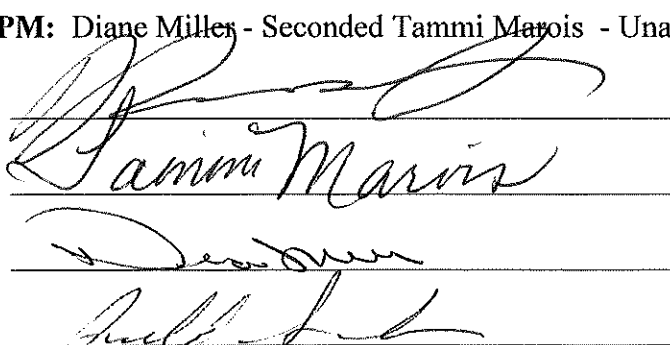
Motion to Adjourn at 7:25 PM: Diane Miller - Seconded Tammi Marois - Unanimous - Approved.

Ken Malo, Jr., Chair:

Tammi Marois, Vice Chair:

Diane Miller, Member:

Ron San Souci, Member:

The block contains four handwritten signatures, each written over a horizontal line. The signatures are: Ken Malo, Jr. (top), Tammi Marois (second), Diane Miller (third), and Ron San Souci (bottom). The signatures are written in dark ink and are cursive in style.