MEETING MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE HEATH BOARD OF HEALTH

August 16, 2021 5:30 PM

Board Members Present: Betsy Kovacs, Barbara Gordon, Gene Garland, Kate Peppard (clerk)

Board Members Absent: Susan Gruen, Randy Crochier, Program Manager CPHS, FRCOG

Meeting called to order 5:31

Agenda Review:

1) Recommendations to Select Board for new members to take Henry Godek's seat (resignation was submitted to the Select Board).

Gene moved to vote on a recommendation to appoint Lorraine Berger to complete the two-year term on the Board of Health vacated by Henry Godek. Seconded by Barbara. Ayes: Gene, Barbara, Betsy.

2) Betsy is sending a letter of resignation to the Select Board effective August 17, 2021.

Gene moved to recommend Elissa Viarengo to complete the two-year term that will be vacated by Betsy Kovacs upon the acceptance of her resignation by the Select Board.

Betsy is resigning as interim chairman, effective immediately.

Betsy moved to nominate Gene Garland to be chair of Board of Health. Barbara seconded. Ayes: Betsy, Barbara, Gene.

Discussion: Betsy expressed her great appreciation for the opportunity to serve on the Board of Health and to lead as chairperson. Betsy said that the project to manage dilapidated and abandoned properties was put on hold due to the demands of Covid, and she hoped would be taken up by the BoH members. FRCOG has a guide for this project.

Gene thanked Betsy for her service and looks forward to working with everyone. The next meeting will be on September 8, 2021 and will collaborate with Kate on the next agenda, reviewing draft minutes, and setting up Zoom.

New items: Barbara asked that we follow up on putting tick awareness signs up at the Heath Fairgrounds. Kate to assist.

Betsy moved to adjourn at 5:54; Gene seconded. Ayes: Betsy, Gene (note: Barbara was missing for the adjournment vote and may have lost connection from the meeting).

Meeting Adjourned 5:54. Minutes written by Kate Peppard, BoH Clerk