

Board of Health Concurrent Meeting with the Board of Selectmen  
Meeting Minutes  
February 21, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.  
Ashland Town Hall, 101 Main Street, Ashland, MA  
Board of Selectmen Meeting Room

*Ronald Etskovitz, Vice Chairman*  
*Koduvayur Narayana, Clerk*  
*Mark Oram, Agent/Director*

*Jon A. Fetherston, Member*  
*Judith Margulies, Member*

**Members Present:**

Ronald Etskovitz, Koduvayur Narayana, Jon Fetherston and Judith Margulies

**Others Present:**

Board of Selectmen Members: Rob Scherer, Carl Hakansson, Yolanda Greaves and Steve Mitchell  
Michael Herbert, Town Manager  
Jennifer Ball, Assistant Town Manager  
Susan Robie, Executive Assistant  
Chris Daniele, resident  
Mark Dassoni, resident  
Steve Morgan, resident

The Board of Health attended the Board of Selectmen's meeting in order to jointly appoint a new Member for the vacant seat on the Board of Health.

Rob Scherer announced that there are three candidates for the vacant seat on the Board of Health, there was a fourth candidate but that candidate withdrew.

**Call to Order**

Mr. Etskovitz called the Board of Health meeting to order at 7:15 PM for the selection of a candidate to fill the Board of Health vacancy.

**Candidate Interviews**

Mark Dassoni said if he was elected he would continue the smoothness the Board is going on at the moment. When asked if he would run for the elected seat, Mr. Dassoni said he feels it is a Town decision and would consider being a write-in candidate. Mr. Dassoni stated that 'collaborative' and 'supportive' to him, are one in the same, and it means working together as a team.

Chris Daniele discussed his interest in the Town, the Town politics and activities, adding that the Board of Health is a very important Board. Mr. Daniele would bring to the Board his 20 years of experience in health education, as well as his experience in conflict resolution as a union representative and a church leader. Mr. Daniele confirmed that he has pulled papers and will be on the May election ballot for the three year seat for the Board of Health. Mr. Daniele has built training programs for health educators and has been around people in the health field who may be a resource for him and the Board of Health.

Steve Morgan said he has been attending Board of Health meetings for 2 ½ years, he has an interest in public health and has worked in public health as an engineer, his degree is from WPI. Mr. Morgan stated that he works as a project manager in leading life science companies. Mr. Morgan thought this was an appropriate way to serve the Town considering his involvement with the Board and his knowledge of the Sanitary Code. Mr. Morgan said that if he is appointed he will pull papers for the 3 year seat, if he is not appointed, he is undecided where an appropriate role will be.

Judith Margulies discussed the depth and the breadth required for Board of Health Members, and asked each candidate if they will have the time that will be required to get up to speed.

Mr. Morgan said he is willing and able to do the research required and provide the information.

Mr. Dassoni said he would find out what is needed and get the information from the Boards who have the information.

Mr. Daniele said he is willing to take the time necessary to do the research, when an issue is important to him, or to the Town, he will take whatever time is necessary.

Mr. Scherer asked if there were any nominations for a candidate. Mr. Narayana proposed Chris Daniele. Mr. Etskovitz seconded. The two Boards voted and approved the nomination of Chris Daniele by a vote of 7-0-1 (J. Margulies abstained).

Mr. Scherer congratulated Mr. Daniele on his appointment to the Board of Health.

Yolanda Greaves thanked all three candidates and suggested they look at running for the position in May.

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Fetherston made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Narayana seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

ASHLAND BOARD OF HEALTH  
DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AT THE 2/21/2018 MEETING  
(All items stored in the Board of Health files unless otherwise noted)

1. Talent Bank Forms for: Chris Daniele, Mark Dassoni and Stephen Morgan