

**Leyden Board of Health
Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: July 8, 2025		Time started: 5:02pm	Time adjourned: 6:34pm
Location:			
Present:	Beth, Devorah, Marcia, Randy		Absent:
Minutes submitted by:	Marcia Miller		

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	PRESENTER	ACTION ITEMS
Minutes	Motion to approve minutes; Devorah 1, Beth2, all in favor		
Action Items of June meeting	Beth has received copies of recently passed regulations and will post to BOH web pages Beth has sent a letter to the Fire Chief regarding equipment needed to fight a BESS fire Body Art regulations: Conway is writing new regulations, and we will wait to see theirs	Beth	Post regs
BESS	Beth presented the letter from Linda Dunlavy. We will read it over and discuss it at the next meeting Maureen and Kurt are working through training and will be available to present the topic to us or a town wide meeting.	Beth	Read letter. How can we add Leyden comments to it.

Movement Retreat	Representing Bent Birch were Eli Feghali and Atty Peter Lane Atty Lane states that Bent Birch will be used as an educational center only. No weddings, events, gatherings etc. other than for educational purposes. Because of this it is exempt from STR regulations. The sleeping areas (dormitories) would be for participants in the educational program. The kitchen will not be utilized for food prep, instead they will have licensed caterers who come in or, on occasion, potluck meals. Atty Lane and Donna MacNichols will be discussing the details. There was much discussion around their application for a 501C3 status. This does not apply to BOH. It was advised to have well tested.	Eli F Atty Lane	Beth will contact the town coordinator to get us in contact with Atty Nichols
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Health agent updates	Bernardston has signed on to the FRCOG for Title 5 inspections and Ashfield has signed on as a comprehensive town. This means more work, so they are looking at hiring more people. There are 14 camps up and running. Camp Lion Knoll is going well Lots of temporary food vendors permit. At least one every weekend this summer Permitted septic haulers include Greg's, Bosley, Steve's and Houghton	Randy	
Beginning of fiscal year 2026	Marcia nominated Beth as chairperson, Devorah seconded, all in favor Motion to accept FRCOG CPHS agents appointed to BOH Town hall water testing, COA responsible (report to BOH) Pavillion water testing, REC Dept responsibility (usually beginning of summer) (report to BOH) Septic pumping, town coordinator is responsible (report to BOH) We need to appoint the town clerk as our burial agent. This will be an agenda item at our next meeting	Beth	Appointing a burial agent
Purple Air Quality Sensor	We will be receiving one from the FRCOG. It will require both power and WIFI. SB working with town maintenance as to where it is best to place it.	Beth	Follow up

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BOH web pages	<p>The pages need to be updated and then have more content posted. What are some items we would like to see available so people will be apt to look at our site?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *seasonal info *rabies protocol *septic pumping <p>Look at other BOH websites to get ideas on structure and content.</p>		<p>Research larger BOH's sites along with local sites. Bring ideas for our BOH site</p>
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Power outages	<p>Town clerk suggested looking into how to prioritize residents who need power for medical devices. He said they would need a letter from their primary doctor. How do we get that info? Check with Eversource and EMD regarding this.</p>	Beth	Marcia
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Next meeting August 5th at 5:00pm at town offices

Motion to adjourn Devorah¹, Marcia², all in favor

Adjourned 6:34pm

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Miller