# TOWN OF WORCESTER, VERMONT

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

## MAY 16, 2016

#### Selectboard members present:

Cheri Goldstein

James "Ted" Lamb (Town Health Officer)

Guests present: Mark Rahill, Barbara Blanchard

The meeting was called to order by Cheri at 6:30 p.m.

## **Public Input:**

Mark Rahill and Barbara Blanchard expressed concern about the contamination of the brook along Downs Road secondary to private gatherings that occur throughout the summer at a property upstream. Barbara states she has water sample kits and will test the brook and her drinking well after a gathering and will inform the board of the results.

## Past Activity:

Dog bite was reported in early March. Dog was moved out of the town and has not returned.

As described above, concerns over water quality of the brook alongside Downs Road was reported. Awaiting water sample results before taking further action.

Town Health Officer (THO) recommended testing of popular swimming holes for coliform bacteria during the summer. Four testing kits have been obtained for free, however, the town may have to pay for future kits.

THO recommended either enforcing or repealing the Town of Worcester Sewage Ordinance. Repeal of the ordinance is expected later this summer.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Attest: James "Ted" Lamb