SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

ASPETUCK HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 5, 2026

Approved as amended by the Board of Directors 11/9/2026

The following voting Board Members were present via Zoom during the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors: Chairman, Paul Shaum, Vice Chair, Catherine Revzon, Ed Mally, Scott Bennewitz, Doreen Collins, and Alison Taylor Walker. Also present via Zoom was Luci Bango, Director of Health, and Pamela Scott, Director of Finance and Human Resources. The meeting was open to the public; no public was in attendance.

Chairman Paul Shaum called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Review and approval of the Amended By-Laws:

Chairman, Paul Shaum began the conversation by thanking Scott Bennewitz and Ed Mally for all of their work and time to review and update the by-laws. Scott Bennewitz added that the by-laws have not been updated since 2000. The new version of the by-laws corrected some inconsistencies and aligns with the Connecticut General State Statutes. It was noted that Attorney Bill Ryan reviewed the amended by-laws and provided comments. In addition, Ms. Bango researched other district by-laws, specifically those of Naugatuck Valley Health District when developing the by-law amendments and language.

Ms. Scott stated that there was an amendment made to the by-laws in 2022 and Mr. Bennewitz confirmed the only amendment made was due to the name change of the District.

Ed Mally stated that the by-laws were revised to be consistent with the General Statutes, which is one of the most important changes.

Scott Bennewitz pointed out the addition of a conflict-of-interest section that aligns with the town for which each Board of Director represents.

Paul Shaum made a motion to approve the amended by-laws. Alison Taylor Walker seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously.

Scott Bennewitz will update the PDF and Word versions of the amended by-laws and email them to Ms. Bango. Ms. Bango brought up a need for a schedule to review the by-laws. There was discussion as to whether the by-laws should be reviewed every three to five years. It was determined that the by-laws will be reviewed every three years, or earlier, if the relevant Connecticut General Statutes were to change. Future changes will not be made unless needed. Ms. Bango will distribute a memo to the Board affirming the three-year by-law review schedule.

Ms. Bango inquired as to whether the by-laws should be posted on the District's website and it was agreed that the by-laws should be made public on the website.

Reappointment of the Board of Directors Officers:

Chairman, Paul Shaum discussed the annual requirement to reappoint the Board of Directors Officers. The previous version of the by-laws did not specify a reappointment month of September, and this year's reappointments were not made in September due to other business. The amended by-laws affirm that the Board of Director Officers should be reappointed in September each year.

Ed Mally made a motion to reappoint Paul Shaum as the Chairman and Catherine Revzon as the Vice Chair for another term. Vice Chair Revzon stated she would be willing to step down as Vice Chair if Doreen Collins or Alison Taylor Walker would like to fill the role. Both Ms. Collins and Ms. Taylor Walker respectfully declined.

Ed Mally affirmed the motion for Paul Shaum to remain Chairman of the Board of Directors and Catherine Revzon to remain Vice Chair for a year. The motion was seconded by Doreen Collins.

Motion approved unanimously.

Ms. Bango raised the point of Scott Bennewitz term expiration of November 2026. Chairman Paul Shaum stated that he would work with Scott Bennewitz in drafting the necessary correspondence for the Westport First Selectman to reappoint Mr. Bennewitz for a three-year term.

Adjournment:

Scott Bennwitz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm. Catherine Revzon seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Lucienne Bango, MPH, REHS/RS
Director of Health, Aspetuck Health District Secretary/Treasurer/(Ex-Officio)