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Meeting called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Present: Chairman, Gerald Picardi; Ralph Jensen, Clerk; Robert Ogilvie, Associate Member; Dave Klenert, Collins Civil Engineering Group; Catherine F. Goldrick, Holbrook Board of Health; Lisa De Marco-Topping, Avon resident; Jean Coy, Avon Resident; Frank Avelar, Avon Resident; Kathleen Waldron, Health Agent and recording secretary.

- **Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 42 Gill Street, Collins Civil Engineering Group**

The proposed plan is to replace the existing failing septic system of this three-bedroom dwelling. There is no plan to increase the flow to the system. Four Local Upgrade Approvals were requested. The first from section 310 CMR 15.212 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum five-foot vertical separation between the high ground water elevation and the bottom of the soil absorptions system with a percolation rate less than two minutes per inch. A local upgrade approval allowing a reduction from five feet to four feet is requested. The second request is a variance in accordance with DEP Policy #BRP/DWM/PeP-POO-1, allowing a percolation rate to be established via grain size distribution analysis. The third request is a variance from section 310 CMR 15.227 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum twelve-inch vertical separation between the high ground water elevation and the lowest tank invert. A variance allowing a reduction from twelve inches to a minimum of one inch is requested. Lastly, a Local Upgrade Approval from section 310 CMR 15.102 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum of two deep observation holes to be performed for a repair. A local upgrade approval allowing a single hole is requested, due to limited area on site. The health agent requests that the estimated high ground water is verified during the open hole inspection and the engineer is to meet the agent on site to evaluate.

Mr. Ogilvie made a motion to approve the local upgrade requests per the plan dated July 31, 2018 and approve the plan as presented. Mr. Jensen seconded, vote carried unanimously.

- **55 High Street, Holbrook**

This site has been an ongoing issue for several months. The Department of Environmental Protection is involved. They have issued five Emergency Orders to stop work for various issues. The Holbrook Fire Chief and the owner of the building were going to have a meeting with the Holbrook Board of Health to discuss the necessary steps and plan to remedy the issue. The Department of Environmental Protection believes 99% of the asbestos material has been removed. There were some old barrels on site that are now gone. There is some concern from residents that the chemicals have been dumped on the property. Holbrook is ordering testing for chemicals of the soils and waters in the area. The Avon Health Agent will

reach out to the Department of Public Works and the Conservation Commission to make them aware of the ongoing situation.

Old Business:

- **14 North Main Street**

The price of the property has been lowered from 249,000 to 229,000.

Correspondence:

- The Board decided to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Avon and Holbrook for an emergency dispensing site to be held at Holbrook High School. Mr. Ogilvie made a motion to execute the MOU, Mr. Jensen seconded. All were in favor.

Other:

- A warrant in the amount of \$33,264.64 was approved for payment.
- Trash and recycling bins were briefly discussed. Additional trash totes are available to be purchased for \$75.00. If needed, additional recycling totes are available. If in need of additional totes, residents must contact the Health Agent.
- Wal-Mart can provide the flu shot this year at no cost. They can also provide the high dose shot for residents 65 and older. Maxim would also provide the flu shot, but not the high dose. The Health Agent suggests the Board try Wal-Mart this year. Last year many residents were looking for the high dose and we were unable to provide it. Mr. Ogilvie made a motion to use Walmart as a provider this year. Mr. Jensen seconded, vote carried unanimously.
- The Board approved a pay increase for the public health nurse from \$32.00 to \$35.00. Mr. Picardi signed the Personnel Action Form which will be submitted to the Board of Selectmen.
- The Board would like to meet with Howland Disposal to discuss bulk collection. Last collection, many residents had an abundant number of bulk items at the curb. The purpose of bulk collection is to dispose of a couple items, not a clean out of a house. The Board also discussed changing the policy of the compost site. Possibly charging a flat fee with a sticker for the vehicle. They decided to keep the same process but to make sure the compost attendant was verifying all ID's.
- The Board of Health Reorganized. Mr. Ogilvie made a motion that Gerald Picardi remain Chairman of the Board of Health. Mr. Jensen seconded, vote carried unanimously. Mr. Ogilvie made a motion to make Ralph Jensen the clerk of the Board of Health. Mr. Picardi seconded, vote carried unanimously. Mr. Jensen made a motion to make Robert Ogilvie an Associate Member of the Board of Health. Mr. Ogilvie seconded, vote carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

- Minutes from June 14, 2018 – Mr. Ogilvie moved to approve the minutes as drafted. Mr. Jensen seconded, all in favor.

Next Meeting:

- Thursday September 13, 2018 at 6:30PM in the Board of Health Office.

Adjourned at: 7:29 PM

ATTEST:



DATE:

9/13/18