

BOARD OF HEALTH  
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## Board of Health June 11, 2020 6:30 PM MINUTES

**This meeting was conducted via Zoom. Meeting called to order at 6:30PM**

**Present:** Chairman, Gerald Picardi; Clerk, Robert Ogilvie; Board Member, Ralph Jensen; Kathleen Waldron, Health Agent and recording secretary; Peter Lyons, Collins Civil Engineering Group.

### **New Business**

- **Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 101 Memorial Drive, Collins Civil Engineering Group**

The proposed plan is to replace the existing septic system of this commercial building. The existing system is in the front of the building under the pavement. The tanks are on the side of the building also under pavement. The proposed system would have a septic tank and pump chamber in the same area of the existing tanks. The field would be located in the back of the building and would be a raised leaching field due to high ground water. The field is proposed to be in the corner of the lot to keep out of the way of parking. There will be a wall located around the field. Three local upgrade approvals were requested. The first is from Section 310 CMR 15.212 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum five (5) foot vertical separation between the high ground water elevation and the bottom of the soil absorption system with a percolation rate less than two minutes per inch. A local upgrade approval allowing a reduction from five (5) feet to four (4) feet is requested. This upgrade will reduce the size of the mound in the back (which will already be about 2.5' high). The second request is from section 310 CMR 15.211 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum ten (10) foot setback from a slab foundation to a septic tank. A local upgrade approval allowing a reduction from ten (10) feet to a minimum of eight (8) feet is requested. The third request is a local upgrade from section 310 CMR 15.227 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum twelve (12) inch vertical separation between the high ground water elevation and the lowest tank invert. A local upgrade approval allowing a reduction from twelve (12) inches to a minimum of three (3) inches is requested.

The Health Agent requests all covers on the tanks be to grade, neoprene boots on the inlets and outlets within 12 inches of the estimated high ground water and an amber light on the outside pump alarm.

Mr. Ogilvie made a motion to approve the three local upgrades requested with health agents' comments and the plan as presented. Mr. Jensen seconded, all in favor.

- **COVID-19**

In Phase 2, step 2 of reopening Massachusetts.

David Mason has submitted a written request to begin the Avon Flea Market. See attached letter. The Board discussed that the Flea Market would not have any access to the church, that the bathrooms would be two porta-potties. The Board is concerned about how the crowd would be maintained and accounted for and how the area/tables would be cleaned and disinfected. At this time the Board does not want the Flea Market to open. Health Agent will send a letter to Mr. Mason.

Complaints have been received about A-1 Market, health agent has spoken to them multiple times. If another complaint is received, the Board discussed beginning to fine

- **FY2021 Budget Update**

Board of Health general fund expenses have been cut by 10%, from \$18,000.00 to \$16,200.00. Waste and public health nurse will remain as proposed.

- **End of FY2020 Budget Update**

All funds have been spent within the limits. Health agent will follow up to members about final spending amounts.

### **Old Business**

- **12 and 14 North Main Street**

The Title 5 local upgrade requests were tabled until the next meeting because the owner does not have an agreement with the neighbors, and he has not purchased 16 North Main Street. Purchasing 16 North Main Street will give him access to 12 and 14 North Main Street without using the right of way in between 2 North Main Street and 758 South Main Street (Randolph).

### **Other:**

- A warrant in the amount of \$49,204.89 was approved for FY2020 payment.
- A warrant in the amount of \$375.00 was approved for COVID-19 associated costs.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

- Minutes from May 14, 2020 – Mr. Jensen made a motion to approve the minutes as drafted. Mr. Ogilvie seconded, all in favor.

### **Next Meeting:**

- Thursday July 2, 2020 at 6:30PM via Zoom

**Adjourned at 7:18PM**

**ATTEST:**

*Robert Ogilvie*

**DATE:**

*8-14-20*