BOARD OF HEALTH

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Board of Health August 19, 2021 6:30 PM MINUTES

This meeting was hybrid. Board members met in person; all other attendees participated via Zoom. Meeting called to order at 6:30PM

<u>Present:</u> Chairman, Robert Ogilvie; Clerk, Ralph Jensen; Member, Peter Marinelli; Kathleen Waldron, Health Agent and recording secretary; Bill Self, Curley and Hansen Professional Land Surveyors; Peter Lyons, Collins Civil Engineering Group.

New Business

• <u>Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 184 East Main Street, Curley & Hansen Professional Land Surveyors</u>

The proposed plan is to replace the existing septic system of this four-bedroom dwelling with no plan to increase the flow of the system. One local upgrade, allowing a reduction from four (4) feet to three (3) feet was requested from Section 310 CMR 15.405(1)(h)(2) of the State Sanitary Code, which requires a minimum four (4) foot vertical separation between the high ground water elevation and the bottom of the soil absorption system with a percolation rate greater than two minutes per inch.

Mr. Jensen made a motion to approval the Local Upgrade and the plan as presented. Mr. Marinelli seconded. All in favor, passed unanimously.

• Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 11 Feeley Street, Collins Civil Engineering Group

The proposed plan is to replace the existing septic system of this three-bedroom dwelling with no plan to increase the flow of the system. The engineer is requesting two local upgrades. 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 was requested.

The second is 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

variance allowing a reduction from twelve (12) inches to six (6) inches was requested. Boots will be required on any invert less than 12 inches from the high ground water elevation.

Mr. Marinelli made a motion to approve the local upgrades as requested and the proposed plan. Mr. Jensen seconded. All in favor, passed unanimously.

• Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 205 Pond Street, Collins Civil Engineering Group

The proposed plan is to replace the existing failed septic system of this three-bedroom dwelling with no plan to increase the flow of the system. The engineer is requesting two local upgrades. The first is from Section 310 CMR 15.405(1)(h)(2) of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum four (4) foot vertical separation between the high ground water elevation and the bottom of the soil absorption system with a percolation rate greater than two minutes per inch. A local upgrade approval allowing a reduction from four (4) feet to three (3) feet was requested. The second upgrade to allow a percolation rate to be established via grain size distribution analysis in accordance with DEP Policy #BRP/DWM/PeP-POO-1 was requested.

Mr. Jensen made a motion to approve the local upgrades as requested and the plan as presented (plan dated August 19, 2021 Rev 1). Mr. Marinelli seconded. All in favor, passed unanimously.

• INSA Medical Marijuana Facility

INSA is a medical marijuana dispensary that is looking to rent space on Stockwell Drive to open their business. They presented a plan to the Board of Selectmen and held a community outreach meeting, enclosed.

COVID-19 and consideration of mask order

COVID cases have started to increase in Avon and in the state. The Board discussed having a mandatory mask order in indoor spaces for vaccinated and unvaccinated patrons in Avon business. They are not considering an order at this time.

• Health Agent Report

See attached.

• Substance Prevention Coordinator Position

Emmanuela Isidor is the new coordinator for ACES. She came to the meeting to briefly introduce herself.

Board of Health Administrative Assistant

Working with the Town Clerk's office and the Town Administrator to have a temporary part time position to help out the Town Clerk and Board of Health office. The potential candidate will work Monday, Wednesday, Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings.

Old Business

Bulk Collection

Bulk collection was held on August 14th. This was the first collection with Republic Services and there seemed to be minor issues. The next collection will be on October 30th. Residents do not need tickets for bulk collections anymore, but they are limited to putting out 5 items.

Other:

• A warrant in the amount of \$40,305.59 was approved for FY2022 payment.

Approval of Minutes:

• Minutes from July 15, 2021- Mr. Marinelli made a motion to approve minutes as drafted. Mr. Ogilvie seconded, all in favor.

Next Meeting:

Thursday October 14, 2021 at 5:30PM, time may change.

Mr. Jensen made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Ogilvie seconded, all in favor. Meeting ended at 7:34PM

DATE: 10/14/2021