

**BOARD OF HEALTH**  
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TOWN CLERK

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**Board of Health**  
**March 10, 2022**  
**4:30 PM**  
**MINUTES**

**This meeting was hybrid. Board members met in person. Meeting called to order at 4:30PM**

**Present:** Chairman, Robert Ogilvie; Clerk, Ralph Jensen; Member, Peter Marinelli; Kathleen Waldron, Health Agent and recording secretary; Peter Lyons, Collins Civil Engineering Group; Patrick Carrara, Jacobs Driscoll Engineering, Inc.

**New Business**

- **Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 100 Robbins Street; Jacobs Driscoll Engineering, Inc.**

The proposed plan is to replace the septic system serving this property and increase the flow to accommodate a four-bedroom dwelling. One local upgrade approval was requested from 310 CMR 15.405(1)(j): To reduce the twelve (12) inch separation between the inlet and outlet tees and high groundwater due to the elevation of the existing building sewer. The design provides a minimum of four (4) inch separation. The septic tank and pump chamber are to be fitted with the cast in place rubber boots and stainless-steel clamps.

Mr. Jensen made a motion to approve the local upgrade request, the proposed plan as presented. Mr. Marinelli seconded. All in favor, vote passed unanimously.

- **Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 28A Leo's Lane, Collins Civil Engineering Group, Inc**

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. Two local upgrade approvals were requested. The first is a local upgrade approval from Section 310 CMR 15.212 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum five (5) foot vertical separation between the high groundwater elevation and the bottom of the soil absorption system with a percolation rate less than 2 minutes per inch. A Local Upgrade Approval allowing a reduction from five (5) feet to four (4) feet is requested. The second is a Local Upgrade Approval in accordance with DEP Policy #BRP/DWM/PeP-POO-1, allowing a percolation rate to be established via grain size distribution analysis.

Mr. Marinelli made a motion to approve the local upgrade requests and the revised proposed plan as presented. Mr. Jensen seconded. All in favor, vote passed unanimously.

- **Title 5 Local Upgrade Request for 28B Leo's Lane, Collins Civil Engineering Group, Inc**

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. Two local upgrade approvals were requested. The first is a local upgrade approval from Section 310 CMR 15.212 of the State Sanitary Code which requires a minimum four (4) foot vertical separation between the high groundwater elevation and the bottom of the soil absorption system with a percolation rate greater than 2 minutes per inch. A Local Upgrade Approval allowing a reduction from four (4) feet to three (3) feet is requested. The second is a Local Upgrade Approval in accordance with DEP Policy #BRP/DWM/PeP-POO-1, allowing a percolation rate to be established via grain size distribution analysis. The Health Agent stated that as much separation as possible should be kept for this system and had concerns about granting this request due to the water around the property. Mr. Marinelli made a motion to approve the local upgrade requests and the revised proposed plan as presented. Mr. Jensen seconded. All in favor, vote passed unanimously.

- **Title 5 Noncompliance – 15 Nichols Avenue**

The septic system servicing this property had a Title 5 Inspection made on 12.24.2008. At that time, the system conditionally passed due to the distribution box being corroded and leaking. The owner of the home called the Board of Health office on April 4, 2019 and spoke with the Health Agent about problems they were having with their septic system. At that time, it was explained that there may be issued due to the distribution box. A letter was sent to the owner ordering a Title 5 Inspection to be made of this system by October 2019. Since that time, no inspection has been made. There is a concern that this system is in failure. The Board discussed making an inspection of the property and try to make contact with the homeowner again and to look into the process what the next course of action will be.

- **Health Agent Report**

See attached

- **COVID19 Update**

See Health Agent Report. This will be removed from the agenda for the next meeting.

- **Mask Order**

Removed mask advisory signs from the town buildings. This will be removed from the agenda for the next meeting.

**Other:**

- A warrant in the amount of \$68,944.95 was approved for FY2022 payment.
- Community Clean Up Day will be held on May 14, 2022.

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Minutes from February 10, 2022- Mr. Marinelli made a motion to approve minutes as drafted. Mr. Jensen seconded, all in favor.

**Next Meeting:**

- Thursday April 7, 2022 at 4:30PM

Mr. Jensen made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Marinelli seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:50PM

ATTEST:

 Ralph Jensen

DATE:

4/7/22