

BOARD OF HEALTH
May 19, 2020
Minutes
Meeting Conducted on Zoom

PRESENT

Health Agent: Bruce Wilson, Jr.
Chairperson: Vincent Forte, Jr.
Vice Chairperson: Patricia Leclair
Member: Kelly McGovern
Minutes Clerk: Tina Griffin

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Forte called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

Ms. McGovern made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2020 meeting, as submitted.
Ms. Leclair seconded and the motion carried.

CORONA VIRUS UPDATES

Public Health Nurse, Esther Martone gave an update on the number of Covid-19 cases in town.
Mr. Wilson told Board members that the statewide face covering order has been going well and that for the most part the complaints on that are starting to lessen. Board members will keep monitoring the numbers and ratio of cases as businesses start to slowly reopen locally.

The Town currently holds a COVID-19 Live Local Emergency Meeting Update at 10:00 am on Monday's, Wednesday's and Friday's on the Local Government ABMI Channel. This broadcast is also replayed at 7:00 pm each night. Please check the Town website for news and updates as they become available.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLANS

Many businesses and restaurants have been submitting business reopening plans to the Board for review. The restaurants that have already submitted plans have been inspected by Mr. Wilson as well as the Building and Fire Departments. Town Planner and Zoning Compliance Officer, James Kupfer told the Board that the Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing regarding the liquor license restrictions and their checklist for safe operations in the workplace.

These businesses will not reopen before the Governor allows this Phase of the State's reopening plan.

OLD BUSINESS

EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP UPDATES

The Earth Day Clean-Up event is still going on and more volunteers are needed. Volunteers have been picking up trash / litter on streets and sending pictures to the Board.

Ms. McGovern reported that she has been out delivering the Limited Edition 50th Anniversary Earth Day T-Shirts to volunteers that provided pictures of litter they cleaned up.

Ms. McGovern will continue to post about the need for more volunteers and will deliver T-Shirts to anyone that has participated.

HEALTH AGENT UPDATES

NEW AND PREVIOUS COMPLAINTS

Mr. Wilson discussed new and previous complaints that have come into the Board of Health office since the last meeting, held on May 12, 2020.

FOOD INSPECTIONS

Food Inspector, Robert Griffin III, told the Board that he has been out doing routine inspections as well as a few pre-opening inspections. Reports have been completed and will be provided to the Board for review. There were no critical violations found that needed immediate attention.

The new software for electronic food inspection reporting is still being set up. Mr. Griffin said he talked to the company again this week and was told they are in the final stages and are hopeful to have everything completed no later than June 15th. Mr. Griffin will continue to do routine inspections with paper forms for the establishments that are open and due for inspection until the new software and iPad arrive.

DISCUSSION

BOARD REORGANIZATION VOTE

Ms. McGovern made a motion to appoint Ms. Leclair as Chairwoman of the Board. Mr. Forte seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Forte made a motion to appoint Ms. McGovern as Vice-Chairwoman of the Board. Ms. Leclair seconded and the motion carried.

Board is reorganized as follows, effective June 1, 2020:

Chairwoman:	Patricia Leclair
Vice-Chairwoman:	Kelly McGovern
Member:	Vincent Forte, Jr.

BETTERMENT BILLS

Ms. McGovern made a motion to pay a Betterment Loan Bill in the amount of \$30,400 to ADC Septic for a septic system replacement at 11 Bliss Road for Ms. Keefe. Her motion was seconded by Ms. Leclair and carried.

BETTERMENT LOAN

1007 SOUTH MAIN STREET

Ms. McGovern made a motion to approve the application for a Septic System Betterment Loan at 1007 South Main Street. Income requirements were reviewed and verified by the Board.

Ms. Leclair seconded and the motion carried.

41 ROY STREET

Ms. McGovern made a motion to approve the application for a Septic System Betterment Loan at 41 Roy Street. Income requirements were reviewed and verified by the Board.

Ms. Leclair seconded and the motion carried.

PLANS

1,2 AND 3 COUNTRYSIDE ROAD

Septic design plans for 1, 2 and 3 Countryside Road were reviewed by the Board.

Ms. McGovern made a motion to approve the plan with the following local upgrade request that was reviewed and verified by the Health Agent, Mr. Wilson:

- Request a waiver to allow for 4.5' of cover where 3' is required per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(b)

Ms. Leclair seconded and the motion carried.

3 JUDY LANE

A septic design plan for 3 Judy Lane was reviewed by the Board.

Ms. McGovern made a motion to approve the plan with the following local upgrade requests that were reviewed and verified by the Health Agent, Mr. Wilson:

- Alternative to perc testing per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(i)
- Request a setback from the septic system to the garage slab foundation to allow 9' where 10' is required per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(b)
- Request a setback from the septic system to the house foundation to allow 14' where 20' is required per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(b)
- Request a setback from the septic system to the shed to allow 6' where 10' is required per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(b)
- Request a setback from the septic tank to the house foundation to allow 7' where 10' is required per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(b)

Ms. Leclair seconded and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. McGovern made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 pm. Her motion was seconded by Ms. Leclair and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina M. Griffin

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NEXT MEETING IS MAY 26, 2020 AT 7:00 PM