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**May 24, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., EST**

**Board of Health members and staff will meet in Meeting Room 2 at Memorial Hall**

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# PRELIMINARIES

* 1. Roll Call
  2. Additions or Deletions not anticipated 48 hours in advance.

APPOINTMENT/HEARINGS

* 1. Selectmen Liaison Chaz Sexton-Diranian – Introductions and Welcome
  2. 159 Brookline Road – Motel License
  3. CO-VID Update
  4. 12 Dudley Road – Senior Center Addition
  5. Other Septic Permits for review

WORK SESSION

* 1. Invoices
  2. Minutes of March and April 2021 Board of Health meetings
  3. Recycling Center Update: compost pile, updating yard area, internet, etc.
  4. Curbside trash and recycling contract update including flyer by Shaw’s and Selectmen signage
  5. Future Agenda Items
     1. Job Description Review for Recycling Center Attendants
     2. 96 Fitchburg Road – Manure Management Plan Update (June 14, 2021)

ADJOURNMENT

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:10 am. All members were present.
2. 16 Sycamore Drive Septic Permit was added to the agenda.
3. Chaz Sexton-Diranian: The Board welcomed their new liaison Chaz to the role of Board of Selectmen Clerk. The Board asked that Chaz keep the department head reports quarterly and not monthly.
4. 159 Brookline Road: Motel License – Shane Donnelly appeared before the Board as the potential new owner to the units at 159 Brookline Road. MGL Chapter 140 32(b) was read into record. The hearing was opened at 10:27am. The house on the property failed Title. It was fully repaired, and water was tested and passed all Townsend regulations. AMTION was made by GB and 2nd by JL to close the hearing. The hearing was closed at 10:30am. A MOTION was made BY GB and 2nd by JL to approve the motel license for 159 Brookline Road. Voting 3/0 MOTIOIN PASSES.
5. COVID Update: May 20th the town is back into the GREEN category. Lots of openings and lots of changes. The State of Emergency will be lifted on June 15th. The CDC is rescinding covid standards. The Board stressed they want people who are not vaccinated to still wear masks when the Town Hall reopens to the public without the door monitoring system and contract tracing. They talked the discussion to 10:25am., where they concluded with a MOTION made by CN and 2nd by JL to recommend to the Select Board the Town Hall reopen to the public and all other municipal buildings with the stipulation that any person not vaccinated wear a mask. Voting 3/0 MOTION PASSES.
6. 12 Dudley Road – Addition: Rick Metcalf explained that the original structure was built in 2009. DEP approved the flow for the septic with 1 stipulation that any future additions would need to be brought before the Board of Health. A MOTION was made by GB and 2nd by JL to approve the expansion pending DEP approval. Voting 3/0 MOTION PASSES.
7. 16 Sycamore Drive- Failed System: Property is for sale and failed Title 5. The 3-bedroom septic design has little room. They respectfully request the following variances:
   * 1. 310 CMR 15.405(1)(k) 1 deep hole test in the s oil absorption area was performed.
     2. Townsend Variance part of the property is in the zone A food zone. 100’ setback r required per Townsend regulation 13 and 91 feet is provided.

A MOTION was made by JL and 2nd by GB to approve the septic design and the two variances. Voting 3/0 MOTION PASSES.

1. Invoices were approved as submitted.
2. Minutes of March and April were approved as submitted.
3. Recycling Center Update: Select Liaison Chaz is helping secure the phone line is working property in the Garage. Compost pile is almost empty. Swap shop will open June 1st.
4. Curbside Contract: Still in signature process. Flyer will be distributed through G.W. Shaw’s trucks in July 2021.
5. A MOTION was made by GB and 2nd by JL to adjourn the meeting at 11:28am. Voting 3/0 MOTION PASSES.