



## TOWNSEND BOARD OF HEALTH

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**June 28, 2021, at 9:00 a.m., EST**

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

### PRELIMINARIES

- 1.1 Roll Call
- 1.2 Additions or Deletions not anticipated 48 hours in advance
  - 1.2.1 Rats around Town center
  - 1.2.2 10 Scorpio Lane Septic Upgrade

### APPOINTMENT/HEARINGS

- 1.3 CO-VID Update
- 1.4 96 Fitchburg Road – Manure Management Plan
- 1.5 Current failed Title 5's in Townsend
- 1.6 Summer work schedule

### WORK SESSION

- 1.7 Invoices
- 1.8 Minutes of April and May 2021
- 1.9 Recycling Center Update
- 1.10 FY21 Year End Budget Discussion
- 1.11 G.W. Shaw and Son Update
- 1.12 Future Agenda Items
  - 1.12.1 Septic Regulations Update
  - 1.12.2 Health Administrator Job Description

### ADJOURNMENT

- 1.1 The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. All board members were present.
- 1.2 Additions added were 1.2.1 and 1.2.2.
  - 1.2.1 Rats around Town center: Bridgette Braley the Nashoba Board of Health sanitarian will be visiting the area restaurants to make sure they are aware and have bait stations. Rick Metcalf has talked with other establishments.
  - 1.2.2 10 Scorpio Lane Septic Upgrade: Septic has failed. New design is in full compliance. A MOTION was made by JL and 2<sup>nd</sup> by GB to approve the permit for 10 Scorpio Lane. Voting 3/0 MOTION carries.
- 1.3 COVID Update: Enforcement has ended. Last case count on June 10<sup>th</sup> there were less than 5 cases in Townsend. 53% of Townsend is vaccinated fully at this time. This is 3% higher than last week.
- 1.4 96 Fitchburg Road Manure Management: Rick Metcalf made a site visit on 7/29/2021 which showed the manure pile is composting. Tenant is requesting new space to compost more on site but there appears to be a lot of ledge. An abutter has fly concerns. Board requested a letter to the tenant to work on the fly management. The Board also decided to regulate the stable management as a Board of Health regulation with enforcement. Rick Metcalf will gather New Hampshire bylaw to work on and present at a later meeting.
- 1.5 Current failed Title 5's in Townsend: The Board requested a list of the properties that have failed septic that are over two (2) years old. They will be drafting letters again to go out to remind the owners their responsibility. They also requested the amount of the income from the previous MRPC grant where they provided funds for three residences failed septic systems and a well issue.
- 1.6 Summer schedule: 7/19 and 7/26 at 9:00 am.
- 1.7 Invoices were signed as submitted.
- 1.8 A MOTION was made by GB and 2<sup>nd</sup> by JL to approve minutes as submitted. Voting 3/0 MOTION carries.
- 1.9 Year End Budget Discussion: The Board did not go over on any of their budgets. Landfill engineering will be encumbered to help with the work at the Center regarding regrading the area and installing concrete pads.
- 1.10 Recycling Center Update and Job Descriptions: The Board reviewed the last job descriptions for the Recycling Attendants. They discussed the fact that no one ever asked their opinions on either position or where the Collins report is. 1.11 The Board of Health and G.W. Shaw signed a new contract for FY22-FY24.
- 1.12 Future Agenda Items: Take Health Administrator off the agenda. Have a separate work session in August for the Septic Regulation updates.