



## TOWNSEND BOARD OF HEALTH

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**Monday, July 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., EST**

**Board of Health members and staff will meet in the Selectmen's Chamber at Memorial Hall**

The Board of Health meeting is also being held virtually in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL c. 30A. s.20. Interested individuals can listen in and participate by phone by dialing the phone number below and using the provided access code.

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**1 PRELIMINARIES**

1.1 Roll Call

**2 APPOINTMENT/HEARINGS**

2.1 COVID-19 update/discussion

2.1.1 School Opening

2.1.2 Recycling Center Update

2.2 182 South Row Rd. – Septic Upgrade w/ LUA

2.3 1A Ponderosa Dr. – Septic Upgrade w/ LUA

**3 WORK SESSION**

3.1 Invoices

3.2 Minutes of June 2020 – DELETED LACK OF QUORUM

3.3 Future Agenda Items

**4 ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:07. Roll Call James Le'Cuyer (JL), Chris Nocella (CN). Others present Carla Hitzenbuhler (CH), Rick Metcalf (RM)

Chairman CN asked that additions and deletions be added back to the agenda after roll call.

2.1 Co-Vid Update: RM reports no new positive cases. Sophia's Pizza continues to be a problem with the regulation of wearing masks.

At 6:10pm the Chairman reminded the Board that they agreed at the previous meeting to have one line of communication to other Boards and other Departments. A MOTION was made by CN and 2<sup>nd</sup> by JL to have CH draft a letter to the Select Board letting them know if they have questions about decisions or Board of Health related work that those questions should be addressed to the Heath Administrator or Board of Health Chairman and not individual members. Voting 2/0 All in favor.

2.1.1 School Update: The school is currently looking into three options for re-opening: All students participate, all students participate remotely or a combination of the two. Transportation continues to be an issue. They are working on how many students would be allowed by Square Feet (SF). CN questions why they are making the distance between children 3feet vs. 6feet. RM stated it was due to the fact children are less likely to contact CO-VID 19. Board members felt tracing needed to be worked more and it was too soon to be making decisions. They also had concern with grandparents. RM reminds the Board the school needs to come up with the plan and the State will ultimately give the approval. They agree any cleaning needed if an outbreak were to happen in the schools would not be the responsibility of the Board of Health.

2.1.2 Recycling Center Update: CH reported the BOS would like to re-post the Attendant position in more places. The Board asked CH to ask the BOS where specifically they would like to see the posting and to post in any free sites that can be found. CN suggested using the solar panels to advertise.

2.2 182 South Row Road Septic Upgrade: System requires Local Upgrade Approval (LUA) for sieve analysis. A MOTION was made by JL and 2<sup>nd</sup> by CN to approve the septic design with 310 CMR 15.405(1)(i): A sieve analysis may be performed if a percolation test cannot be performed. Soil sample taken for sieve analysis due to high water table at time of testing. Voting 2/0 All in favor.

2.3 1A Pondera Drive Septic Upgrade: System has failed Title 5. It will require a LUA for a 1" reduction in groundwater. A MOTION was made by JL and 2<sup>nd</sup> by CG to approve the septic design with 310 CMR 15.405(1)(h): Reduction of the required five foot separation between the bottom of the leach area and the estimated seasonal high ground water table in two minutes per inch soils. Four feet separation between the bottom of the leach area and the estimated seasonable high ground water table is proposed. Voting 2/0 All in favor.

JL inquired why the septic regulations have changed with septic tank sizes. He would like to revisit the subject. Chair CN asked that a full board be present when the discussion takes place.

3.1 Invoices were approved as submitted.

3.2 Deleted

3.3 Future agenda items: Add rewriting job descriptions for Recycling Center

Chair CN asked if anyone had any comments before the meeting was adjourned. No comments were made. A MOTION was made by JL and 2<sup>nd</sup> by CN to adjourn the meeting at 6:43pm. Voting 2/0 All in favor.