The regular meeting of the Board of Health was held on Friday, June 12, 2020. Michael LaFever, Chairman; Adrienne DeSantis, Secretary; Carolyn Rogowski-Duarte, Member; and Andrea Crete, Health Agent were present. Minutes are being recorded by LCTV video and are being transcribed from the video. The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Mr. LaFever. **This meeting was held during the 2020 COVID-19 outbreak.**

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Board members cancelled the June 30, 2020 meeting. The next meeting will take place on July 14, 2020.

While signing the departmental bills, Ms. Rogowski questioned as to why the department ordered four (4) Nursing Drug Handbooks. These books are used by the Town Nurses to educate patients. Board members would like to look into other ways of obtaining these books. Ms. DeSantis would like inquire about the purchasing of tablets for the nurses. The handbook could then be downloaded onto the tablets for the nurses. Ms. Crete will research and bring back information to the Board.

Ms. Rogowski asked about the reopening of home visits for the nurses. At this time there is no set date to allow the nurses to do home visits. Mr. LaFever feels that it is an unnecessary risk to allow the nurses into homes. Ms. Crete mentioned the possibility to use PPE for every visit. The nurse would gown up before every visit, and then remove the PPE for disposal.

There was a request for a Local Upgrade Approval for 73-75 Minechoag Heights, owned by Mr. Jose Gonzalez. Registered Sanitarian Lorri McCool is asking for the use of a sieve analysis and 1 deep observation hole, due to very wet conditions. Ms. McCool is also looking for a 2-foot reduction to groundwater. Ms. Crete recommends approval of the variance. Motion made by Ms. Rogowski to approve the variance. Seconded by Ms. DeSantis. All in favor 3-0.

There was a request for a Local Upgrade Approval for 299 Fuller Street, owned by Source Nine Development. Engineer Neil Jackson is asking for a 5-foot reduction to the property line due to site restraints. Mr. Jackson is also asking for a 1-foot reduction to groundwater. There is a Request for Determination filed with the Conservation Commission. Motion made by Ms. Rogowski to approve the variance, pending Conservation approval. Seconded by Ms. DeSantis. All in favor 3-0.

Ms. Crete spoke of outdoor dining being allowed for establishments with a Board of Health food permit. There have been a few establishments that have obtained approval to do so from the Selectmen. Ms. Crete would like to change the permitting process to establish a limited food service permit. This would be more for bars and places with very limited food prep.

Motion made by Ms. DeSantis to adjourn the meeting with Ms. Rogowski seconding the motion. All in favor 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne DeSantis
Secretary

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