The regular meeting of the Board of Health was held on Tuesday, July 27, 2021. Michael LaFever, Chairman; Adrienne DeSantis, Secretary; and Kelly Lamas, Member were present. Andrea Crete, Health Agent, attended the meeting remotely by phone. Minutes are being recorded by LCTV video and are being transcribed from the video. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mr. LaFever.

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Board members read the minutes of June 22, 2021 and July 13, 2021. Minutes were signed by Ms. DeSantis.

Board members signed departmental bills.

The meeting was joined by Angela Kramer, by phone.

Ms. Kramer provided a COVID update to the Board. The town has seen 14 cases since July 1, 2021. There has been a small cluster. It is unknown if this cluster is due to the outbreak in Provincetown, MA.

At the last meeting, Ms. Lamas asked for an individual breakdown to how many actual patients the nurses have helped for the past years. For 2020, there were a total of 523 pedicures performed. The actual number of individual patients for that year is 177. For 2021, 228 pedicures have been performed. That number breaks down to 113 individual patients. Ms. DeSantis feels that it would be a lot for one nurse to handle over 500 pedicures, along with other duties.

Ms. Crete and Ms. Kramer met with Heather Jolicoeur, Program Coordinator at the Senior Center, to discuss possible services being performed at the center. The Senior Center is going to ask its members for input on what they would like to see offered. There is currently a nurse performing a blood pressure clinic on Tuesdays. There is a possibility of the Public Health Nurse doing an educational training with a changing monthly topic. Ms. Kramer does not feel that it is viable to perform pedicures at the senior center. It would very hard to meet the needs of everyone within a one-day a week clinic. Ms. DeSantis asked Ms. Crete about her supporting continuing performing pedicures. Ms. Crete would not support keeping pedicures. Ms. Kramer would like to not completely discontinue pedicures. Ms. Kramer would like to possibly see certain days. Ms. DeSantis would like more focus on the homebound within the town. Ms. Lamas moved to table the discussion on pedicures and restructuring to a later time. Board members agreed.

The meeting was joined by Tony Tavares, owner of Villa Rose restaurant, and Roland Dupuis, Engineer. Mr. Dupuis is here to ask for permission from the board to use daily waterflow meter readings to design a new septic system for Villa Rose. The current system is in failure. The property contains a public drinking water supply for the restaurant. Under the Title 5 regulations, a restaurant is to use the number of seats times 35 gallons to get a daily design flow. The occupancy limit that was obtained from the building department is 264, which means the design flow would be 9240 gallons/day. This would make for a very large and costly system.

Mr. Dupuis would like to use the actual water flow meter readings instead to design the new system. This would create a system of around 1500 gallons/day. Ms. Crete feels that this design would be severely undersized for the establishment. Ms. Crete went to the Villa Rose to count the actual number of seats. With the total number of seats and different flow rates for different parts of the establishment, Ms. Crete would like to see a design for 3500 gallons/day. Board members are concerned for the public drinking water well located on the property. Mr. Dupuis states that any system over 2000 gallons/day would require nitrification and denitrification. This would substantially add to the cost of the system. There has been communication with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. DEP has not yet approved the use of water meter readings to design the system. There is a meeting to take place with DEP on July 28th. Ms. Crete will be attending the meeting. Mr. LaFever would like to wait and see what DEP recommends before the Board makes their decision. All board members agreed.

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Ms. Crete discussed with the Board a grant that the town could possibly qualify for. The grant is meant to raise awareness about air pollution within the town. There would be air sensors placed in random locations to collect data. Ms. DeSantis asked what the town would do with the results. Ms. Crete stated it is more for awareness. There could be regulation changes depending on the results.

Motion made by Ms. Lamas to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. with Ms. DeSantis seconding the motion. All in favor 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne DeSantis
Secretary