# SUNDERLAND BOARD OF HEALTH - MINUTES July 23, 2020

Meeting continued from July 20, 2020 and called to order at 6:07PM via Zoom.

Present: Caitlyn Rock, Bruce Bennett, Ken Kushi, Steve Ball, Gina McNeely, Cindy Bennett, Chris Boone, P. Irvine, S. Lamoureux, R. Lamoureux

### **APPOINTMENTS**

• 75 Russell Street – continuation from July 20, 2020 meeting regarding order to correct and review of prior discussion. Mr. Bennett request meeting be closed and vote. Mr. Bennett motion to enforce Order to Correct from Title 5 Inspection on June 22, 2020 as noted for Item 1: Disconnect plumbing in garage. Owners offered further considerations. Mr. Bennett noted a motion was on the floor. Ms. Rock stated the motion previously called was for enforcement of Item 1 of Order to Correct date June 22, 2020 to completely dismantle kitchenette over garage. Mr. Bennett motion which includes from June 22, 2020 Order to Correct Violations: Item 1: "The plumbing pipes shall be completely removed from the kitchenette and bathroom. The plumbing emanating from the garage shall be dismantled and capped off." Mr. Kushi second to remove everything as noted. Vote: Mr. Bennett: aye, Mr. Kushi: aye, Ms. Rock: nay. Vote 2-1 to enforce Order to Correct dated June 22, 2020, Item 1. Ms. Rock stated an appeal may be filed in court; the Board has voted. Discussion closed at 6:50PM.

#### **MINUTES**

• Mr. Kushi motion to accept minutes of June 22, 2020, Mr. Bennett second, Vote 3-0.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

• Further review with online permitting vendor has determined joining the system would be cost prohibitive. Other service vendors may be pursued.

#### HOUSING HEALTH AGENT

- 28 Silver Lane re-inspection scheduled
- 75 Russell St matter addressed at this meeting
- 370 Montague Rd another contractor reportedly has contract for repair of the unit. The owners have been using a camp-potty which is a chemical camping self-contained unit. No notification of where matter is being disposed.

# **HEALTH AGENT**

- Septic installations and Title 5 services have increased.
- Fielding questions regarding mask wearing requirements at several local businesses for customers and employees. Mask orders and FAQS are being distributed. Mr. Bennett asked about penalties for non-mask wearing customers and who enforces the penalty. It was reported that the penalty is a \$300 fine the can be given to customer and store owner. The Board of Health deputized the Police Department in May to assist with enforcement of these matters. The Board of Health wants to educate the public as escalation concerns have come up and prefers working with the public to keep everyone safe.
- Worked with local restaurants regarding indoor dining regulations.
- The owner of The O's inquired about selling food to be able to open business. The business is not a food establishment (no kitchen), does not have a food permit or any other license to allow food service.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**

- No active infection cases since May. Ms. Volpe is working with Frontier School Manager re: protocols, etc.
- COVID Update: Ms. Rock will be attending meeting next week with Police Chief, Town Administrator and UMASS regarding students returning to the area. Concerns were noted in surrounding communities that the campus' on-campus vs. off-campus practices are very different.

Ms. McNeely and Mr. Ball were thanked for their experience and advice related to the latest matters.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Request to review Board of Health fees and would like comparisons from area towns.
- No new Town Counsel charges.

Next Board of Health meeting scheduled for August 24, 2020.

Mr. Bennett motion to close the meeting at 7:26PM, Mr. Kushi second, Vote 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bennett

**Board of Health Secretary**