

# **BOARD OF HEALTH**

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Town of Holden Board of Health Meeting – Remote Meeting June 9, 2020

Members Present - Mr. Michael Mazloff, Stella Adu-Gyamfi, Michelle O'Rourke

**Others Present:** Mr. Phil Leger – Chief Regional Public Health Specialist, Pamela Harding – Director Planning & Development, Denise Monteiro – Recording Secretary

### Called Board of Health Meeting to Order: 6:07 PM

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes March 3, 2020**

Michael Mazloff made a motion to approve the March 3, 2020 meeting minutes, Stella seconded the motion. APPROVED

#### **Title V – Phil Leger– Chief Regional Public Health Specialist**

Phil Leger reviewed the following Title V list:

- Inspections Completed
- 350 South Road Fails
- 192 Reservoir Street Passes
- 74 Boulder Hill Road Passes
- 121 South Road Passes
- 216 River Street Passes
- 38 Harris Street Passes
- 138 South Road Fails
- 270 Reservoir Street Passes
- 410 Malden Street Conditionally Passes
- 410 Malden Street Passes

#### Systems Being Installed

- 663 Bullard Street
- 174 Broad Street
- 655 Bullard Street
- 38 Danielle Lane
- Systems Being Repaired
- 24 Piccadilly Circle
- 410 Malden Street
- 101 Bullard Street

## Health Agents Report / Updates – Danielle Edmands – Regional Environmental Health Specialist

- Routine Food Inspections None due to COVID 19
- Food Re-Inspections
- Updates/Complaints

## <u>CMRPHA Report – Phil Leger – Chief Regional Public Health Specialist</u>

June 10, 2020 Webinar EEE 3PM

## **New/Other Business**

- Elliott Tree 94 Wachusett Street
  - Pam Harding gave a history of the property; it was previously owned by a landscaping company. Ellliott Tree than purchased the property. They cut down large trees and about 4x a year they bring in a large chipper to chip the trees. This is very loud; and the town has been receiving many complaints from abutters in a short timeframe.
  - Phil Leger used a sound meter which the town borrowed from MA DEP. He went out to the property and took background base line readings. The chipping was not going on at the time, there was some truck traffic but overall the neighborhood was quiet. Phil feels if the chipping machine is onsite it will definitely spike the sound meter.
  - Michael Mazloff asked if this is a residential neighborhood is the commercial company grandfathered in? Pam Harding answered Yes. Residential pre-existing use.
  - 6:15 PM Michelle O'Rourke arrived to the meeting and was updated on the subject. She feels if it is loud, should it be allowed in a residential neighborhood?
  - Pam Harding deferred to Phil Leger on whether BOH can put a stop to the activity
  - Phil Leger stated they would have to go back there with the sound meter when they are doing the chipping and see if it above the nuisance level. If so, we would then issue them an order to correct or stop.
  - Michael Mazloff asked if there was a way to meet with them and let them know this activity is not allowed to be done on this property?
  - Phil Leger yes, assuming they bought this property without any special permits to be there? Pam Harding answered Correct
  - Phil Leger answered previous business did not do this activity, we can talk to them and let them know this was discussed at the BOH meeting as a nuisance issue
  - Pam Harding stated she would talk to the Building Commissioner as well and check on the zoning

## • COVID-19

- Michael Mazloff asked if the Board was involved in contact tracing at all?
- Phil Leger answered no, the nurses are working on that
- Michael Mazloff asked Phil if he or any of the agents are receiving any pushback from the police/fire staff in Holden?
- Phil answered no they have been pretty cooperative

- Michael Mazloff asked if there is a date scheduled for the next EDS training?
- Phil Leger answered they have some pre-planning, but a vaccine is needed and first to receive it will be long term care facilities, group homes, etc. then public clinics. Right now they are talking late fall, early winter.
- Pam Harding updated the Board that Holden has 112 cases as of the meeting. Pools and camps are opening, we are trying to get them the supplies they need to get going.
- Michael Mazloff asked if there is anything the Board needs to do with the nursing homes?
- Pam Harding answered we rely on the nurses within the alliance to handle that
- Michael Mazloff asked Michelle and Stella if they had any comments as front line workers?
- Michelle O'Rourke said the numbers are definitely decreasing; however, she is a little nervous with the protests there will be a surge.
- Stella Adu-Gyamfi said numbers a trending down where she works. She has noticed people have forgotten were in a pandemic, not wearing masks, etc. which makes her a bit nervous.
- Michelle O'Rourke said at the hospital they have been relaxing on visitors as we go into phase 2 and she feels the governor is doing a good job.
- Michael Mazloff at some point would like to discuss what role the Board has at Town Meeting. Would like to discuss bringing the Central Mass Mosquito Control package to the Selectman again.
- Pam Harding said the pandemic took over, the Board of Health would have usually presented the Central Mass Mosquito Control to the Selectman but with the pandemic it kind of got lost in the shuffle.
- Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.