



TOWN OF LANCASTER – BOARD OF HEALTH

Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2020

Members in attendance: John Farnsworth, Katherine Holden, and Jeff Paster

Also in attendance: William Brookings, Health Agent and Debra Dennis

Chairman Farnsworth called the meeting to order at 9:33AM.

Jeff Paster explained the zoom process

Discussion

- **27 Burbank Lane proposed addition frost wall to septic tank offset reduction request-**
This is an offset reduction request. Bill Brookings and Chairman Farnsworth went out and did a site visit. **A motion was made by Jeff Paster to approve. Katherine Holden seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Jeff Paster yes, Katherine Holden yes and John Farnsworth yes.**
- **Reopening's Covid-19 compliance and complaints-**Chairman Farnsworth said citations have been sent out to companies not in compliance.
- **Upcoming Town Meeting, BOH Discussion-** Chairman Farnsworth said a Special Town Meeting was set for November 23, 2020. The Board of Health made their position known concerning this. He said he believes it will be postponed. He said his position is gatherings at this time/type is at high risk. Katherine Holden said she is against this being inside. She wants this to be held in a safe place and time. Jeff Paster said the Board of Selectmen are looking at different options. The Board of Health is just advising.
- **Community Center-Proposed Activities-**Chairman Farnsworth said the Board has received comments and complaints. He said he spoke to Alix Turner and gave guidance. The fitness /gymnasium is part of the complaints. The Board needs to keep an eye on this. Other fitness centers have been closed. Jeff Paster said past practice is we do not inspect unless there is a complaint. In past complaints-inspect facility-bring governors

orders-inspect again. There are three inspections and after that if they are not in compliance then a citation is sent out.

- **Kalon Farms**- Chairman Farnsworth said he attended a gathering with Fire, Police, Building Inspector yesterday concerning complaints. Jeff Paster said the Board's primary concern is addressing Covid-19 complaints that are raised. After some discussion, the Board decided to do a formal inspection in response to a complaint. Fire Chief Hanson said he agrees on Covid-19 issues inspection needs to be done. Chief Hanson also reminded the Board that Kalon does not have a common victualer license because Kalon is not licensed as a restaurant. Joe D'Eramo said he is concerned with the loud music. Chief Hanson is hoping the appropriate Board makes sure they are operating by all state and local guidelines.

- **Maharishi-679 George Hill Road**-Chairman Farnsworth said he received a Title 5 inspection report from Ducharme & Dillis. Ducharme & Dillis has not as yet definitively found the existing subsurface disposal works.

Greg Jackson said he is concerned with the location of septic systems. The plan does not identify sources of contamination. Victoria Petracca said she understands the Board of Health protocol. The Applicant preforms the Title 5 Inspections. Chairman Farnsworth said the Board's policy is no permits will be given until the Board is satisfied. Catherine Sadler discussed her parents' house and how they are getting fine sand in their water system now. She said they are across from Lot 2 on Hilltop.

The next Board of Health meeting will be December 3, 2020 at 9:30am.

- **Adjourn**-A motion was made by Katherine Holden to adjourn. Jeff Paster seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Jeff Paster yes, Katherine Holden yes and John Farnsworth yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted
Debra Dennis