

TOWN OF LANCASTER
BOARD OF HEALTH
Prescott Building Nashaway Meeting Room
September 4, 2019

Present: John Farnsworth and Katherine Holden

Also Present: William Brookings, Agent, Nashoba Board of Health

List of Documents:

- Agenda for September 4, 2019
- Bestway memo response letter dated August 30, 2019
- Email from Sally Conklin, owner 1920 Main Street received September 3, 2019
- Minutes of July 17, 2019 BOH meeting
- Lancaster's Abandoned House Initiative Target Properties Spreadsheet
- Issue Tracker

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM.

Discussions

- **Bestway**-The Board discussed the irrigation well permit that is going to be submitted. The Board gave approval for Bill Brookings to sign off on the permit.
- **Addressing 2020 Permit renewals and issues**-Chairman Farnsworth discussed ways of informing applicants of permits that need to be pulled so they can be done in a timely manner.
- **Abandoned House Initiative**- The Board reviewed the AHI list with current updates.
- **Keating Odor Complaint**-Bill Brookings said Nashoba Associated Boards of Health received a complaint. An agent did a site visit and there was an odor. He reached out to Keating and asked what they were doing that night. Bill Brookings said he will contact Michelle at DEP.
- **EEE Update**-The Board discussed aerial spraying. Board member Katherine Holden said she wasn't in favor of aerial spraying because of the potential effects on the environment but is in favor of residents requesting spraying. The Board decided to reinforce getting information out to residents on how to protect them and remind them of the EEE warning. Chairman Farnsworth also said we need to inform them about Lyme's disease and how to protect against tick bites.
- **DPH Survey**-Bill Brookings informed the Board that he will fill out the survey with the assistance from the Board of Health Office Manager.

Permits

- **105 Fire Road 11-upgrade**-Bill Brookings said they are proposing a new potable well. **John Farnsworth made a motion to approve and Katherine Holden seconded the motion. VOTE: 2-0-0.**
- **21 Highfield Drive-upgrade**-Bill Brookings said they are requesting two local upgrades. One is the three foot groundwater offset with is a one foot reduction and a silt test instead of a perc test. **John Farnsworth made a motion to approve as submitted with variances requested and have Bill Brooking follow up. Katherine Holden seconded the motion. VOTE: 2-0-0.**

Title 5 Inspection Reports

- **2501 North Main Street**-This was tabled until the next meeting.
- **499 Sterling Road**-This was tabled until the next meeting.
- **285 White Pond Road**-This was tabled until the next meeting.
- **76 Otis Street**-They have a garbage grinder. A letter will be sent out to the owners.

Minutes for Approval

John Farnsworth made a motion to approve the minutes of July 17, 2019. Katherine Holden seconded the motion. VOTE: 2-0-0.

The August 21, 2019 minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

General Business

- The Board circulated the correspondence folder.

Adjourn

John Farnsworth made a motion to adjourn; Katherine Holden seconded. VOTE: 2-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Debra Dennis, Lancaster Board of Health Office Manager