TOWN OF MILLIS
BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes of Meeting
May 10th 2022 – Approved

A meeting of the Board of Health was held on May 10th 2022 via Zoom online meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83325280876 Present were:

- John McVeigh, Public Health Director
- JaiKaur LeBlanc, Chair
- Donna Scotland, Board Member
- Matt Fuller, PHD Board Member
- Kathy Lannon, MS,RN
- Sarah Ward, RN
- Nancy Downs Oceana
- Jeffery Mushnick, Medway Oil

Chair LeBlanc moved and Member Fuller seconded and it was unanimously voted to open the Millis Board of Health meeting of May 10th 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Administrative Business:

- a. The monthly report of the public health nurse
- b. The meeting minutes for April 4th 2022 (All approved).

6:09 PM Discussion CoVid update:

Director McVeigh along with the Public Health Nurse Ward updated the Board on CoVid concerning the Town of Millis Massachusetts. Cases are slowly increasing presumably due to the BA2 variant. Discussion on Flu season and an early clinic dates of October 2022 considering CoVid booster requirements. Sarah Ward mentioned the reimbursement for the remaining flu vaccine and the ordering process for the coming fall season. Covid cases at the Elementary vs High School were discussed in terms of variants and vaccination rates.

6:40 PM Plastics Reduction Bylaw:

Presentation and discussion concerning the Plastics reduction importance by Nancy Downs. Discussion regarding the current plastic's bylaw and non-compliance issue with select businesses in town. The Director and Nancy Downs agreed to visit these sites in June to follow-up after letters are sent to referenced businesses concerning their non-compliance status.

7:15 PM 10 Acorn Street:

Discussion with the new owner Mr. Mushnick on the existing garage that has a long history with the Board going back to 1991. The Board initially granted a waiver from the EHIR with the provisions that no septic or water was to be installed. Later in the early 2000's it was discovered that an illegal septic was installed and subsequently removed after Board of Health Order. Mr. Mushnick has improved the property considerably and is seeking to have water and potentially a septic or tight tank installed. The DEP was contacted regarding the

tight tank issue and it was concluded this was not possible as there was no valid existing septic system and thus all future work is considered new construction not an upgrade. Mr. Mushnick said he would consult with Legacy Engineering on the possibility of a new system placement but will contact Conservation Commission first as this is in an environmentally sensitive area.

8:10 PM Intern PFAS Discussion:

The Board of Health intern Sean Flaherty who is a Master's in Public Health (MPH) candidate at the University of Lowell made a presentation concerning PFAS. The issues surrounding the current PFAS problem in relation to Millis were discussed and it was noted that in June a community presentation would take place at the library on the topic.

8:30 PM EHIR Refunds:

Discussion around reimbursements of EHIR funds to developers which concluded that refunds should be made after the project was completely closed and a certified as-built is approved by BETA Engineering.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc, seconded by Member Fuller it was unanimously approved to close the Board of Health meeting of May 10th 2022 at 8:45 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for June 6th 2022 at 7:00 PM.

Documents and Submittals of Meeting:

Meeting notice agenda was posted on May 4th 2022

Director's Report May 4th 2022

Public Health Nursing Report May 4th 2022