TOWN OF MILLIS BOARD OF HEALTH Minutes of Meeting July 13th, 2021 – Draft

A meeting of the Board of Health was held on July 13th 2021 via Zoom online meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86378477810 Present were:

- John McVeigh, Public Health Director
- JaiKaur LeBlanc, Chair
- Donna Scotland, Board Member
- Matt Fuller, PHD Board Member (Absent)
- Greg Bunavicz, PE Borderland Engineering
- Dan Merrikin, PE Legacy Engineering
- Homeowners: Robert McCoy & Janice Wright 106 Dover Rd

Chair LeBlanc moved and Member Scotland seconded and it was unanimously voted that the Millis Board of Health meeting of July 13th 2021 at 6:08 PM.

Administrative Business:

- a. The monthly report of the Public Health Nurse TBD
- b. The meeting minutes for: February 22nd 2021, March 15th 2021, April 12th 2021 Approved.

6:09 PM: Discussion: COVID update: Director McVeigh updated the Board on COVID. The town of. The states cases are decreasing and more and more people are becoming vaccinated.

6:20 PM: LUA & Variance 106 Dover Rd. upgrade: Engineer Greg Bunavicz PE of Borderland Engineering has come to the Board for a variance, local upgrade approval at 106 Dover Rd . A 25% reduction in the SAS size as allowed by the LUA .As well a 4ft to 3 Ft groundwater separation . This will allow them to avoid retaining walls which be costly and complex.

Applicant is also looking for a variance from a local septic regulation Subsurface Sewage Disposal Regulations Section 5 (H) that pump systems have two (2) staged pumps allowing one pump.

There was discussion regarding the Zone II issue and variances. Finally it was noted to have DEP-CERO weigh in on the matter for future applications. The Engineer noted this upgrade would improve the existing system and enhance environmental protection.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc and seconded by Member Scotland, it was voted 2-1 to grant the variance requested for a local upgrade of groundwater from 4 feet to 3 feet. and a 25% reduction in the SAS. This approval is also contingent upon a 3 bedroom deed restriction as well.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc and seconded by Member Fuller, it was unanimously voted to grant the variance requested for a local regulation for a dual (two staged) pump system allowing one.

7:00 PM: 343 Village St. Variance Engineer Greg Bunavicz PE of Borderland Engineering has come to the Board for a variance approval at 343 Village St. from a local septic regulation Subsurface Sewage Disposal Regulations Section 5 (H) that pump systems have two (2) staged pumps allowing one pump. This is untypical for residential systems and the one pump will suffice.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc and seconded by Member Scotland, it was unanimously voted to grant the waiver requested for a local regulation for a dual (two staged) pump system allowing one.

7:30 PM: Cannabis operating permit fee discussion: Discussion on doing a general fee study seeing what surrounding towns are charging. Discussion on the proposed \$100 marijuana operational fee and application.

Chair LeBlanc made a motion to table voting on the marijuana operating fee set to \$100 annually and a fee study done for 2022. Member Scotland seconded and it was voted unanimously.

7:50 PM: LEPC Chair LeBlanc made a motion to that Matt Fuller would be the Liaison designee for the LEPC for 1 year was seconded by Member Scotland and unanimously voted to approve.

8:05 PM: MetroWest Shared Services Municipality Statement of Commitment: Discussion regarding signing onto the shared services collaborative. This service doses not supplant local public health services but assists health department in the Metro-west area. The Board noted this is a positive grant opportunity that would benefit the Town. The Chair along with the Town Administrator would sign the "Letter of Commitment".

8:15 PM: PFAS discussion Kathy Lannon: Discussion of the PFAS issue in town and the effected wells. The public health community messaging and risk communication was discussed as well as the need for an Intern to assist.

8:30 PM: Appointment BOH Agents The Board voted to appoint the presented list of individuals as public health agents until July 2022.

9:00 PM Stoneybrook (unscheduled) Mr. John Chambers a tenant at Stoneybrook Apartments spoke regarding the code issues outlined in recent correction orders at Stoneybrook Apartments.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc, seconded by Member Scotland and unanimously approved to close the Board of Health meeting of July 13th , 2021 at 9:45 PM

Documents and Submittals of Meeting:

Meeting notice agenda was posted on July 7, 2021

Director's Report July, 2021

Public Health Nursing Report TBD