TOWN OF MILLIS BOARD OF HEALTH Minutes of Meeting March 15, 2021 - Final

A meeting of the Board of Health was held on March 15, 2021 via Zoom online meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85690667326. Present were:

- \* Kathleen Lannon, Board Member
- \* John McVeigh, Public Health Director
- Matthew Fuller, Chair
- JaiKaur LeBlanc, Board Member
- James McKay, DPW Director
- Melissa Recos, BETA Group
- \* Thomas McDonough, Contractor

Chair Fuller moved and Member Lannon seconded and it was unanimously voted that the Millis Board of Health open the meeting of March 15, 2021 at 1:06 PM.

## Administrative Business:

- I. Nurse's Report: TBD
- II. Meeting Minutes: Chair Fuller moved and Member Lannon seconded and it was unanimously voted that the December 7, 2020 meeting minutes be approved with the minor changes discussed.

**1:06 PM Discussion: COVID update:** Member Lannon discussed the state approving Binax testing which is an antigen test for schools. The Millis school nurses, school safety committee as well as Member Lannon discussed using this method but after research it shows this actually misses 2/3 of asymptomatic cases. The FDA has not officially approved antigen testing or pooled testing. Member Lannon will be attending the school health and safety meeting and will update the Board at the next Health meeting.

Director McVeigh informed the Board that Millis is in the yellow and has been for a few weeks. The state is focusing on mass clinic for COVID vaccines. We are currently focusing on vaccinating the senior housing which will come from the federal supply. After that the Health department is hoping to receive Johnson and Johnson vaccines to administer to those who are homebound in Millis.

**1:56 PM EHIR DPW Project:** Melissa Recos made modifications from the last Board of Health meeting, put together language for a letter to be sent to the Selectboard and attached to the EHIR permit. It addressed that the Board of Health was not informed of a pre-construction meeting therefore there was a gap in the EHIR process approval.

On a motion made by Chair Fuller and seconded by Member LeBlanc, it was unanimously voted to grant the variance requested from Section XII.1 of the 'Millis Board of Health, Public and Environmental Health Review Regulations' to allow a decrease in the rate and volume of stormwater runoff from the site. The proposed variance allows for compliance with current environmental standards encourage on-site stormwater recharge.

On a motion made by Chair Fuller and seconded by Member LeBlanc, it was unanimously voted to grant the variance requested from Section XII.4, of the 'Millis Board of Health, Public and Environmental Health

Review Regulations' to allow a flat bottom and 3.5 horizontal to 1 vertical side slopes for the expansion of the existing stormwater basin. The proposed variance allows for the broadest possible distribution of runoff over the basin bottom and greatest capacity for more effective infiltration.

On a motion made by Chair Fuller and seconded by Member LeBlanc it was unanimously voted to grant this "Board of Health Permit" in accordance with the "Millis Board of Health, Public and Environmental Health Review Regulations and Standards" for renovation of the Millis Department of Public Works Facility at Assessor's Parcel 19 on Map 52 at 7 Water Street in accordance with the above Findings and Conditions.

**2:22 PM 40 Bullard Lane Well regulation variance:** A new private drinking well at 40 Bullard Lane had quantity and quality water testing performed. Discussion occurred concerning the format of the water testing results. No further action is required.

Chair Fuller made a motion, Member Lannon seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the March 15, 2021 Board of Health meeting be closed at 2:48 PM.

## **Documents and Submittals of Meeting:**

Meeting notice agenda March, 2021 posted on March 10, 2021.

Director's Report March 2021