

Buckland Board of Heath
 Meeting Minutes
 August 4, 2020 6:30 p.m.
 Meeting Via Zoom

AGENDA

1. Open the meeting.
2. Review and approve minutes July 7 and July 21.
3. Face Covering messaging in the village.
4. 89 State Street - update.
5. Health Agent Report: Randy C. or Lisa DB.
6. Flu clinic planning with EMD/BOH mini-regional group.
7. COVID-19/BOH Response: information and updates.
 1. Phase 3, step 1 - updates
 2. Retail and Restaurants
 3. Travel Order
 4. Other as needed.
8. Review/process mail - Marti or Terry will collect from Town Hall.
9. Any other items not reasonably anticipated by Chairman 48 hours prior to meeting.
10. Public Comment.
11. Adjourn the meeting.

ATTENDEES

Richard Warner - BOH Chairman
 Terry Estes - BOH Member
 Marti Taft-Ferguson - BOH Member
 Heather Butler - Town Administrator
 Randy Crochier - Health Agent
 Mary Bolduc - Boards' Clerk
 Julia Godfrey - Resident
 Marilyn Kelsey - Resident

MEETING

1. Open the meeting - Richard Warner, Chairman, opened the meeting at 6:33 p.m.
2. Review and approve minutes July 7 and July 21 - Rich Warner moved to accept minutes of July 7, 2020 with corrections, seconded by Marti. Vote to approve with corrections was unanimous. Rich moved to approve minutes of July 21, 2020, seconded by Marti. Vote to approve was unanimous.
3. Face Covering messaging in the village -
 1. Signs in village (both sides of river) have been found advising citizens of their right to enter an establishment without a mask/face covering. Discussion followed.

2. Randy supports education over enforcement and feels enforcement invites engagement of citizens. He reported that Amherst and Northampton are hiring enforcement officers.
3. Marti said she does not believe the face covering order requires face covering at all times outdoors downtown, but rather when social distancing is difficult or not possible.
4. Terry reported that during the weekend he had been downtown, on both sides of bridge, and observed only about half of the people on the street wearing masks and not always observing social distancing.
5. Marti asked if BOH should add signs for face covering, and Rich suggested use of sandwich boards owned by Memorial Hall. Randy advised against use of sandwich boards based on zoning violations.
6. Marti suggested some outdoor signs, very carefully drafted, as needed reminders especially on weekends.
7. Randy reported that Gill is using CARES Act money for added police presence. Marti suggested someone speak with Heather Butler to approach Chief Hicks to discuss same possibility for Buckland. Randy advised waiting to confirm funding. Terry is to talk to Heather regarding increasing police presence using CARES money. Money must be used for additional hours, not officers' regular schedule.
4. 89 State Street: update -
 1. There had been an interested buyer in the 89 State Street property, but is no longer pursuing purchase.
 2. Discussion followed regarding owner being served by civil processing unit of the Sheriff's Department, including process and cost.
5. Health Agent Report, Randy C. of Lisa DB - Randy reported.
 1. Randy gave a brief overview of Mohawk's plans thus far, including number of positive cases in community which would trigger closing schools.
 2. Person requesting a composting toilet for airbnb on Depot Road is going with another option.
 3. No one is quite sure yet how the travel order will work. For example, Randy cannot access list of persons entering the state. Board discussion on travel order.
 4. 66 Upper Street has well permit and is moving forward.
 5. Report on leach field, ground water, and septic of 153 East Buckland Road.
 6. Randy made site visit to 146 East Buckland Road; there are no problems.
 7. 8 East Buckland Road is for sale. 1989 construction increased bedrooms from 3 to 7. Discussion on another Title 5 for property.
6. Flu Clinic planning with EMD/BOH mini-regional group - Marti reported.
 1. Clinic date is Saturday, October 17, 2020.
 2. Plan is for Clinic to be three hours.
 3. Herb Guyette had suggested use of trailer owned by Hamden County for flu clinic. Marti suggested another owned by WRHSAC (Western Region Homeland Security Advisory Council) which has a generator, negating the need for power cords which may be driven over.
 4. MAPHCO money is available for purchase of flu clinic supplies.

5. Discussion on refrigerating vaccine, where and how. Terry addressed flow of entering and exiting the trailer, and expressed concern over cleaning process between patients.
6. Senior Center most likely not having a flu clinic this year. Possible scenario of Center bringing a van of seniors to clinic was suggested; perhaps one person could enter van and vaccinate all on board.
7. MAPHCO money should be spent wisely, and can also be used for non-tangible expenses such as consulting,
8. Regarding cost of flu clinic, Randy stated that a sliding fee scale is decided by Lisa White.
7. COVID 19/BOH Response: information and updates.
 1. Phase 3, Step 1 update - Randy has not heard from Flood Water Brewery yet. West End Pub is open. Nothing else new or changed.
 2. Retail and restaurants - Marti reported on discussion at Select Board meeting regarding Shared Streets Grant money for tables downtown.
 1. Heather reported on purchase of tables, location, placement and cleaning and has asked Cindy Schwartz (Rec Committee) to help with the plan for maintaining the tables. She will also work with the BOH if it is decided to reinstitute a porta-potty in downtown Buckland. Discussion followed regarding possibility of a porta-potty and security camera, suggesting the parking lot behind Town Hall might be a good location.
 2. Terry informed Heather of the earlier discussion regarding CARES Act money to fund a police officer/enforcement officer. She will put on next Select Board agenda.
 3. Travel order - Discussed during Health Agent Report, Agenda Item #5.
 4. Other as needed - Marti reported that the Select Board voted to waive the ban on single use plastic bags for pre-packaging bulk goods for a period of 6 months.
8. Review/process mail - Marti or Terry will collect from Town Hall. - No mail to process.
9. Any other items not reasonably anticipated by Chairman 48 hours prior to meeting -
 1. Rich reported that he has received emails regarding resident concerns about the new LED street lights to be installed.
 1. Heather Butler was asked for her input. She gave an informative explanation of the project from its inception, including specs on the lights and savings for the town. Heather emphasized that this has been a very public process for over a year. She offered to forward lighting specs to BOH members in answer to their questions during Board discussion.
10. Public comment - Marilyn Kelsey voiced concern over time in Zoom "waiting room" while waiting to be let into the BOH meeting. Marti apologized, but explained that not using the option of the waiting room enables "Zoom bombing". Ms. Kelsey also asked what action was being taken by the BOH regarding a complaint made, but neither the Health Agent nor any Board members had heard the complaint to which she referred. Randy explained that depending on where, or to whom, the complaint was made, it may not yet have been passed on to

him or the Buckland BOH. Additionally, in reference to the earlier face covering discussion, Marilyn expressed concern over the number of people she encounters on her morning walks that are not using masks.

11. Adjourn the meeting - Marti thanked Julia Godfrey for attending. Julia was glad to hear what the BOH does, and is willing to help the Board if needed. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Bolduc, Boards Clerk, August 18, 2020

Signed by: *Julia. Este* 9/29/2020
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