Buckland Board of Health Meeting Minutes November 17, 2020 6:30 p.m. Meeting Via Zoom

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Open the Meeting.
- 2. Review/approve Minutes October 20, 2020.
- 3. Health Agent Report: Randy Crochier or Lisa Danek Burke.
- 4. The Mill: Planned Craft Fair November 28, 2020, recommendations.
- 5. COVID-19:
  - 1. Cases, updates
  - 2. New Governor's Orders/Stay-at-Home Advisory.
  - 3. Revised state metrics.
  - 4. Transfer Station face covering enforcement.
  - 5. Thanksgiving and beyond messaging.
- 6. Review/process mail Marti or Terry will collect from Town Hall.
- 7. Any other items not reasonably anticipated by Chairman 48 hours prior to meeting.
- 8. Public Comment.
- 9. Adjourn the Meeting.

## **ATTENDEES**

Richard Warner - Board of Health Chairman Terry Estes - Board of Health Member Marti Taft-Ferguson - Board of Health Member Randy Crochier - Health Agent Mary Bolduc - Boards' Clerk

## **MEETING**

- 1. Open the Meeting Meeting opened at 6:38 p.m.
- 2. Review/approve Minutes October 20, 2020 One correction made. Marti moved to approve minutes as corrected, seconded by Terry. Vote: Marti, yes; Terry, yes. (Richard Warner not yet logged into meeting.)
- 3. Health Agent Report; Randy Crochier or Lisa Danek Burke Randy Crochier reported:
  - 1. Food license renewals are being processed.
  - 2. One perc test was ordered for a Conway Road property.
  - 3. Short Term Rental letters are going out and licensing will begin on January 1, 2021.

- 4. Board discussion on My Turn article published in November 4, 2020 edition of the Greenfield Recorder. Titled *Be a Local Hero: Quarantine When You Need To,* it was submitted by a group of local public health nurses addressing risks, safety practices and emphasizing the need to quarantine when necessary. It was stated that the Shelburne Board of Health was going to publish it on their website and that Buckland should consider the same.
- 4. The Mill: Planned Craft Fair November 28, 2020, recommendations -
  - 1. Brief Board discussion of previous craft fair at The Mill earlier this year; reports of event were favorable.
  - 2. Lay out for upcoming event works well for distancing and customer flow; there are two exits.
  - 3. Event scheduled for November 28, two days after Thanksgiving. If Buckland is in RED for COVID at time of fair, should BOH be contacted? Brief discussion.

## 5. COVID-19:

- Cases, updates New case in Whately reported with multiple contacts in Deerfield. There is a new hire at FRCOG, Jeanette, whose job is primarily contact tracing.
- New Governor's Orders/Stay-at-home Advisory Board discussion reviewing orders and advisory. Board has received complaints of non-compliance regarding face coverings, and one report of a large Halloween party.
- Revised state metrics Board discussion covering changes in metrics, how statistics will be determined and reported. Population size has been considered as well as positivity rates in comparison to number of tests administered. Randy cited examples.
- 4. Transfer Station face covering enforcement -
  - Compliance with masking and distancing at Transfer Station has become an issue.
  - 2. There has been a police officer assigned to enforce rules. Chief Hicks would like to see better signage at the Transfer Station with fewer graphics and more specific wording; Heather Butler is to order signs.
  - 3. Original transfer station protocols were reviewed and recommendations for additions/changes discussed. The revised protocols will include a face covering order to read: Face coverings are required at all times within the boundaries of the Transfer Station, including when inside a vehicle. Addressing the number of persons accessing each of the disposal sites was considered, but did not change in the final draft as it had already been specified.
- 5. Thanksgiving and beyond messaging:
  - 1. Board discussion regarding impact of holiday gatherings on COVID transmission and methods to inform public of risks and responsibilities (quarantining when necessary, etc).
- Review/process mail; Marti or Terry will collect from Town Hall -There were septic pumping reports, a liability insurance form, and information from Alyssa Larose (FRCOG) regarding vacant and abandoned property.

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- 7. Any other items not reasonably anticipated by Chairman 48 hours prior to meeting -
  - 1. Task Force meeting discussed non-compliance in local businesses. When addressing COVID practices for businesses, Randy advised the Board of Health to state the Governor's orders and omit reference to local governance.
- 8. Public Comment N/A
- 9. Adjourn the meeting Rich moved to adjourn seconded by Terry. Vote to adjourn unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Bolduc, Boards' Clerk, December 15, 2020

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