

COLRAIN BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

4/2/2024 6:30PM

HIGHWAY DEPT MEETING ROOM [9 JACKSONVILLE RD]

Call to order: 7:00 PM

Attendance: Nina Martin-Anzuoni, Tim Slowinski, Barbara Griffin. Kate Minifie, absent.

Others Present: Randy Crochier, Health Agent of CPHS; Alice Wozniak, Clerical Assistant.

1. Approve Minutes of 3/5 **Tim Slowinski moved to approve the Minutes of 3/5. Barbara Griffin seconded. Passed unanimously.**
2. Health Agent Updates:

Housing Issues:

- a. 160-162 S. Green River Rd. [septic & housing violation updates, if any] **No update. Randy will reach out to Shawn.**

Title 5/septics:

- a. 107 Adamsville Rd. [update from condemnation]. **Condemned per vote of BOH at meeting on March 5th.**
- b. 48 Call Rd [Title 5 failed-repair due by 3/7/2025]. **On hold. Still has until 3/7/2025 to replace septic.**
- c. 269 Heath Rd. [Letter to be sent]. **To be sent.**
- d. 116 Main Rd [Notice of Noncompliance sent; update, if any]. **This is an old sale. Looking at a potential housing situation.**
- e. 12 Wilson Hill Rd. [septic done, waiting on final inspection]. **Certificate of Compliance has been issued.**

Debris/Trash/Misc:

- f. 341 Adamsville Rd [update if available]. **Follow up letter to be sent.**
- g. 22 Heath Rd [Update on violations and Order to Correct]. **A letter was sent and a follow up one is coming.**

3. Health District Update-CPHS oversight meeting.

- Meg Ryan is doing lots of work on age & dementia work.
- Local Public Health Institute is gone, and the Foundations Course is now through TRAIN.
- CHIP [Community Health Improvement Program] is offering Serv Safe programs as well as CPR & First Aid. Grants available. See attached flyer.
- Nina mentioned that she is working with Meg Ryan on community health prevention and promotion classes.
- Septic regulations will be drafted by CPHS and Colrain will hold a hearing at a future meeting.
- Tobacco regulations>CPHS is looking for a cap of stores allowed to sell tobacco products before the final draft and advertisement of hearing. **Barbara Griffin moved to allow 2 businesses to retail tobacco. Tim Slowinski seconded. Passed unanimously.**

4. Incident command system (used by fire and police for emergencies) - BOH members required to be trained. Tabletop training is happening soon for CPHS towns.
 - Tabletop training on June 24th.
5. Foundations Course (Local Public Health Institute) & ICS100, NIMS 700 (FEMA website).
 - See bullet #2 on Health District Update.
6. Letter from Mary Parsons questioning Colrain properties. See attached.
 - Norwood>not Board of Health jurisdiction.
 - Mattsons>ongoing Housing issues. Agent is working on it.
 - Brick Church>no evidence of anyone living in the shed.
 - Slys> not Board of Health jurisdiction.
 - Gooley> not Board of Health jurisdiction.

Adjourn: Barbara Griffin moved to adjourn at 8:28PM. Tim Slowinski seconded. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Alice Wozniak
Clerical Assistant

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Colrain, MA
March 8, 2024.2024

Members of:
Select Board
Board of Health
Zoning Board
Fire Chief
Police Chief
Building inspector.

I address this to several boards as these issues may come under the jurisdiction of more than one group. I believe the following properties are not following the laws of the town:

White House and property owned by Norwood. Metal junk, snow mobiles and vehicles on road side. Are all the vehicles, camper and boat registered? Is there any limit to number of vehicles there. Where they are all parked, is it on property owned by him?

Yellow House. Is this place safe for humans to live? Has it been checked recently to see if it is within the laws and fit for human habitation? There are so many vehicles behind the house. Are the vehicles all current on their registration and excise tax. There is too much junk behind the house too. It is disgusting.

Brick Church. Are all those vehicles, buildings etc in compliance. Does anyone stay there? If so, where are the bathroom facilities?

The property across from Catamount country Store owned by a person named Scalese (don't know correct spelling) has a lot of junk on it which is illegal. It needs removing and cleaning up. Gooley property seems to be starting to filled up with junk.

I haven't been in the area of selectman, Eastman's property. Has he cleaned it up?

A number of citizens have volunteered to clean up the roads in the spring and have planters spread around town. They are attempting to make town a cleaner, nicer place to see and pass thru: Then, at the entrance to the center, we have so many unsightly conditions. Too bad occupants of these properties don't take more pride in their property and the town. The original owners ,when I came here, would be appalled at how their properties look now.

Select Board says they have to have citizens' complaints to take any action. Last I knew all the Selectboard are citizens of Colrain. For that matter all persons ,except for the police chief are citizens of the town

Please do your duty and correct these illegal situations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary Reilly Parsons

