

COLRAIN BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

6/5/2024 6:30PM

HIGHWAY DEPT MEETING ROOM [9 JACKSONVILLE RD]

Call to order: 6:40PM

Attendance:

Board: Nina Anzuoni, Kate Minifie, Barbara Griffin, Tim Slowinski

Board Clerk: Alice Wozniak

Guest: Ilana Gerjuoy (FRCOG)

Hearing: 6:40 PM

Tobacco Regulations: Restricting the Sale of Tobacco Products

Overview by Kurt and Ilana from FRCOG. The primary intention of new regulations is to limit underage tobacco use. Copy of regulation available upon request.

Discussion with a few questions, including number of permits allowed and what will happen in the case of a violation.

Motion to close discussion at 7:01 – Unanimously approved.

Motion to accept as written at 7:02 - Unanimously approved.

Motion to close hearing at 7:03 – unanimously approved

Hearing: 7:04 pm

Septic Regulations

Overview by Kurt of FRCOG. “These Regulations of the Colrain Board of Health are enacted for the purpose of protection of the citizens of the Town of Colrain and also the protection of the environment. As a minimum code, Title 5 is incomplete and ambiguous in certain specifications and silent on other topics. Accordingly, local Board of Health regulations are necessary to assure more complete protection from sewage overflow to the ground surface, which is a source of filth and disease, and also to assure more complete protection from potential pollution of ground water, wells, surface waters, wetland complexes, and certain geologic and water-bearing deposits”.

Copy of regulation available upon request.

Discussion.

Motion to close discussion at 7:10 – Unanimously approved

Motion to accept as written at 7:10 – Unanimously approved

Motion to close hearing at 7:10 – Unanimously approved

1. **Approve Minutes of 5/7** – unanimously approved with the addition of guests from neighborhood renewal program.

2. **Health Agent Updates:**

Housing Issues:

- a. 160-162 S. Green River Rd. [septic & housing violation updates, if any] – No activity/still within window to fix

Title 5/septics:

- a. 107 Adamsville Rd. [update from condemnation] – vehicle noticed, owners have orders, recommended for neighborhood renewal and if that doesn't pan out, next step would be order to board and secure.
- b. 48 Call Rd [Title 5 failed-repair due by 3/7/2025] – still within two year window to repair, reminder letter to go out
- c. 269 Heath Rd. [Letter to be sent which will identify this as a housing case)
- d. 116 Main Rd [Notice of Noncompliance sent; update, if any] – no update

Debris/Trash/Misc:

- e. 341 Adamsville Rd – order will be sent
- f. 22 Heath Rd - [Update on violations and Order to Correct] – one more set of orders will be sent and then this will become a housing case

3. **Health District Update-CPHS oversight meeting** - see notes below on Narcan boxes.

4. **Narcan boxes for Colrain and possible placement** - Discussion of who will stock Narcan boxes, and what should be included (ie. Fentanyl test strips). We'll need permission from the town to put these up. Ideas for locations include outside fire department, foyer of town hall, catamount country store. Nina will discuss with new town administrator in a few months.

5. **Community Health Center letter of support** – no longer needed, as location (former fire station) not available.

6. **MAPHCO** – Barbara attended meeting. Encourages board to look at RAPT tool, which supports towns with resiliency and emergency planning.

7. **Discussion about increased communications with other town leaders** – ie selectboard – to be continued

Adjourn: 7:59pm