

COLRAIN BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

4/1/2025 6:30PM

HIGHWAY DEPT MEETING ROOM [9 JACKSONVILLE RD]

Call to order: 6:40pm

Attendance:

Nina Anzuoni, Barbara Griffin, Kate Minifie, Tim Slowinski, Randy Crochier (Health Agent), Alice Wozniak (clerical)

1. **Approve the Minutes of 3/5** - Unanimously approved (Barbara makes motion, Tim second).
2. **Health Agent Updates:**

Randy is doing some training on housing inspections.

Housing Issues:

- a. **160-162 S. Green River Rd. [septic & housing violation]** - no application yet
- b. **Griswoldville Sewer District update** – engineers met with Randy last week to discuss plan for septic. Still working to determine location for septic.
- c. **417 Main Rd. [dead rats, sewer smell in Unit C, water line across doorway]** – No update from Randy.
- d. **2 Coombs Hill Rd. [issue with egress, smoke detectors and no heat; Order to Correct sent]** – No update from Randy.

Title 5/septics:

- a. **107 Adamsville Rd.** [update from condemnation] – no change.
- b. **48 Call Rd** [Title 5 failed-due by 3/7/2025; granted extension to July 1st] – no update.
- c. **116 Main Rd** [Notice of Noncompliance sent; update, if any] – no update
- d. **1 River St.** [septic system designed but yet to be installed; enforcement letter sent to owner for potential further action] –install started.
- e. **120 Main Rd.** [Title 5-repair of system] – no update
- f. **257 Greenfield Rd.** [Title 5 failed-February 28th] – was expecting to see notice of failure, randy confirmed this would be in the report from Bostley, but he will also reach out.
- g. **32 Charlemont Rd. [Sold, Title 5 says needs further evaluation]** – no update
- h. **269 Heath Rd.** [Letter sent, housing court in March] – no update
- i. **61 Heath Rd.** [denial of 25 campground permit; septic incomplete] – Septic is still incomplete. The board received a letter from Mary Annear of Catamount Sportsman’s Club asking the board to review the situation, but because they are still out of compliance, we cannot issue the permit for this season.
- j. **42 Heath Rd.** [converting barn to livable unit; septic? Well permit] need to start with perc and go from there.
- k. **Nelson Road** – notice of non-compliance sent.

Debris/Trash/Misc:

- a. **22 Heath Rd** [Update on violations and Order to Correct; subsequent letter to be sent] – no update
- b. **6 Greenfield Rd.** [Debris near brook from barn being knocked down but not cleaned up]– town counsel recommended date for completion. Alice is working on this with Shawn.

3. Health District Update-March 27th CPHS oversight meeting

Update from Barbara:

- Increase in refusal of rabies vaccines in Buckland
- Mixed feelings on mosquito treatments, some concern about aerial spraying
- We are still considering joining the mosquito district, but right now it just doesn't make financial sense
- Concern about power outages impacting surrounding towns, some talk about emergency shelter availability
- Rowe offering some new programming to their residents via their town nurse – walking group, class on health care proxies (we are interested in this one, Meg could do)
- Battery energy storage seminar on May 13th

4. Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition-March 11th meeting.

- Some letters of support from Robbie Goldstein, Commissioner of Department of Public Health from Washington DC, for funding to the health departments.

- 5. Draft annual report** – Thanks to Alice for drafting. Note-to add two things for 2025 report: (1) started collaboration with emergency planning experts in town and (2) desire to increase collaboration with other town entities.

Adjourn: Barbara Griffin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 PM, Tim Slowinski seconded. Passed unanimously.