Board of Health Meeting Minutes February 28, 2023

Present: Holliston Board of Health (BoH): Josh Mann (*Chairperson*)

Jay Leary (Vice-Chair) Peter Liffiton (member)

Scott Moles, *Health Director and Agent* Kristin Abraham, *Health Department Clerk* Ann Adams, *Health Department Clerk*

Josh Mann, BoH, Chairperson, opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Scott Moles read the Remote Participation Statement.

Board of Health roll call: Josh Mann - present, Jay Leary - present, Peter Liffiton - present

Public Comment: None

Installer License Review: Dave Brown requested a meeting with the Board of Health regarding his Holliston Septic Installer's Permit renewal. He understood the BoH meeting was a Zoom meeting, and was sent the meeting agenda with the link. He was not present at the meeting.

Scott and the Board discussed Dave's last 2 septic installations:

- 10 Pine Oak Street: Dave moved the septic tank 10' from the design plan and ended up inches from the property line, requiring a hearing and variance. The move was initiated by finding ledge, but should have been reported to the Health Agent and designer before a field change was made.
- 66 Shaw Farm Road: delays due to Dave not ordering the materials in a timely fashion.

The Board was not inclined to allow Dave to renew his Installer's Permit.

COVID-19 and seasonal flu update:

- There are 4 active cases (reported to the State) of COVID-19 in Town bringing the cumulative total to 3075.
- Most COVID cases are the newer variants according to the State epidemiologist.
- The Health Department has 20 cases of COVID test kits (180 tests per case) for free distribution to residents; available at Town Hall, Library, Senior Center, Pantry Shelf and other locations.

Draft Animal Regulations are with the Animal Control Officers, and will be brought to the Board when they are ready for their review.

Housing: 53 Wingate Road new owners met with Scott regarding upgrading the septic system after failing the Title 5 inspection. A soil test is scheduled, in preparation for a septic upgrade.

State Tax Relief Recommendation: Scott mentioned that Governor Healey has proposed increasing the septic system repair tax credits from \$6,000 to \$12,000 as part of the FY2024 budget recommendation. At this time it is only proposed, and Scott will keep the Board posted.

ServeSafe Certification: Scott passed his ServeSafe class and is certified for 5 years. Len Izzo, Holliston Food Inspector is also ServeSafe certified.

King's Pizza is taking the place of Hollywood Pizza (in the Subway plaza). Scott said they will be ready for opening inspection after they complete a few repairs.

Mobil Gas Station is changing ownership in March. The new owners will sell food and tobacco similar to the current owners.

Minutes: Josh made a motion to approve the BoH meeting minutes from February 14, 2023. Jay seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter -Aye Passed.

Bills: The following bills were discussed and approved:

Josh motioned to approve the Amazon bill for case of gallon sharps containers: \$143.00 Jay seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter-Aye. Passed.

Josh motioned to approve the Stericycle bill for sharps waste disposal: \$105.00 Jay seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter-Aye. Passed.

Board Comment: Jay congratulated Scott on getting his ServeSafe certification.

Josh made a motion to adjourn the BoH meeting at 7:20 PM. Jay seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter -Aye Passed.

Respectfully: Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 3-14-23