



Town of Rochester

Board of Health

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MINUTES

November 17, 2021

Meeting called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Members present: Glenn Lawrence, Sarah Eby, Karen Walega, Health Director, Connie Dolan, Public Health Nurse and Lori Walsh, Board Administrator

REVIEW MINUTES

August 25, 2021

September 15, 2021

Mr. Lawrence made a motion to approve the minutes. Mrs. Eby seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

VARIANCE REQUEST:

Charon Associates – Variance request, 765 Snipatuit Road – 15.212 to allow groundwater separation of less than 4 ft.

Mr. Lawrence made a motion to approve the variance for 765 Snipatuit Road. Mrs. Eby seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE: - REVIEWED WITH THE HEALTH DIRECTOR

1. Letter from DEP regarding Zero Waste

Discussion ensued with the Board and the Health Director regarding the water issue and the fire at Zero Waste. Health Director, Karen Walega told the Board that both situations have been taken care of.

2. Letter to Mrs. Susan Mello, 515 Rounseville Road

Health Director, Karen Walega explained to the Board that she received a complaint about the yard being a health hazard and she sent out a letter to the daughter who lives in a mobile home on the property. The woman who owns the house at 515 Rounseville Road is in a nursing home. Her son lives out of Town but is working with the Zoning Enforcement Officer, Jim Buckles and is cleaning up the property and has already taken a couple of cars off the property.

3. COVID Vaccine Clinic Update – Public Health Nurse, Connie Dolan update

Ms. Dolan spoke to the Board about the COVID Clinics that are coming up on November 29 and Dec. 20th for Ages 5-11, November 30 and December 21st for Ages 12 and up, and Thursday December 16th for Booster shots for all eligible.

Ms. Dolan read the Covid Statistics Report to the Board and gave them a copy of it. She told the Board that starting in January there will be no more contact tracing for Covid due to the fact that there is now vaccine available for people. Also, for at home positive tests, she is not required to follow up on them starting in January. Any positive at home testing should follow up with their Doctor.

DISCUSSION:

Trailside Estates – Septic tank design change

Health Director Walega told the Board that the Chairman wanted this on the agenda to change the design of the septic tank from two 1500 gallon septic tanks to one two compartment septic tank. The new plans are done and have been submitted.

OLD BUSINESS:

Status of 34 North Avenue – Hearing from October 6th meeting

Health Director Walega updated the Board on the septic system at 34 North Avenue. She told the Board that SFG Engineering designed the system and once the sale is finalized, they are going to repair the system.

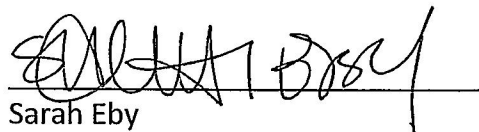
Adjournment

Mrs. Eby made a motion to adjourn at 4:40 p.m.

Mr. Lawrence seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,


Glenn Lawrence


Sarah Eby

Date: January 5, 2022