**Brimfield Board of Health**

**Meeting of September 17th, 2019**

Board Members Present: Chair Richard Costa, K. Marino, M. Polack, T. Wood and M. Koprowski

Present: Administrative Assistant Michelle Metcalf, Health Agent Jamie Terry

Guest: Ron Cox Installer, Mike Doyle BOS member, Alexandra & Christine Holbrook

The meeting was called to order at 6:33PM

**New Business:**

* **Barn Inspector – BOS Mike Doyle**

BOS member M. Doyle came to the board to discuss the Selectmen meeting regarding the barn inspector position. The Selectmen reappointed the Barn Inspector and would like BOH to oversee the Barn Inspection and the police to continue overseeing ACO and quarantine. After discussing in length the BOH felt that they didn’t have a choice in overseeing the Barn Inspector with the annual meeting voting for the Selectmen to oversee the position. The BOH requested Jamie Terry reach out to the Police Chief to try to discuss in further detail.

* **Plumbing Inspector update flea market- Ed Kent**

E. Kent came to the board to update them on the Sept show. He found that not all vendors had pulled gas permits. He felt that 8 to 10 vendors didn’t have a permit that should have and it could result in a liability for the Town. The BOH agreed that a letter should be sent out to all vendors to inform them that they will need to pull a permit with the BOH. E. Kent will type a letter up for the Administrative Assistant to mail out.

* **EEE update**

Health Agent J. Terry updated the board on EEE. The town was raised to high risk when a horse in Brookfield tested positive for EEE. The Massachusetts Department of Public Health then collected mosquito samples in Brimfield on 9.12.19. Two mosquito samples tested positive for EEE. The State announced aerial spraying to start on 9.16.19. This spraying would hopefully reduce the number of active mosquitoes. J. Terry felt the BOH did a good job getting the word out to the residents. For future emergencies it would be helpful to have access to Code Red to send out notifications.

* **Service dogs/ Support dogs**

The board was asked to discuss service dogs and support dogs by a restaurant owner. After reviewing the laws the BOH discussed how hard it is to determine service vs. support and that would ultimately be up to the owner of the facility to opt to discuss with the patron within the boundaries of the law.

* **Inspectors logbook & All boards meeting**

Board discussed email from Selectmen regarding a logbook for inspectors and all board meetings. The board felt that records kept and communication was sufficient and a logbook would not be necessary at this time.

The board would attend an all boards meeting with the Selectmen if they were available as a group, but would like to see if a member of the Selectmen could attend a BOH meeting.

* **Drill for emergency management**

The annual site setup drill was discussed and the different drill options were considered. It was decided that a Saturday would work best for the board. The administrative assistant will contact the school to reserve the cafeteria and gym and will then contact the board with the date.

* **Pass/ Fail Title 5**

Health Agent J. Terry asked about the process for a multiple Title 5 reports submitted for one property in a very short period of time (within weeks of each other). How should it be handled when a Title 5 report comes in failed and another is submitted within weeks showing passed. In the past other Towns have enforced (through Court order) that a 3rd party would need to inspect the property and submit a third report.. Board felt that this was a fair practice.

**Health Agent:**

* **258 Little Alum- Repair- No Varis**

J. Terry presented plans to the board from Green Hill Engineering no variances no vote needed.

* **381 Sturbridge Road-**

Health Agent J. Terry went to a site visit for inspection of upgraded septic system. J. Terry noticed issues with the system with dirty stone and asked for the Installer Ron Cox to meet the engineer onsite to discuss concerns. The Installer felt that the certificate of compliance was delayed because of the Town and the stone he installed was not dirty stone. The engineer was contacted during the meeting via phone and stated that the stone was not completely free from fines, but that he believed no stone ever was. After much discussion it was decide that if the engineer signed off on approval of the system and the installer documented his willingness to stand by the stone he installed the BOH would instruct their Agent to sign the Certificate of Compliance.

* **13 Laflamme Road- 2 Bedroom deed restriction**

Health Agent J. Terry presented plans to the board from Green Hill Engineering. Two variances were requested to the repair. The first was a property line offset to the abutting property owned by the Army Corp of Engineers (10’ required, 5’ provided). The second was an offset from the foundation to the leach area (20’ Required, 10’ provided). The Health Agent believes this is the most protective location to place this new system and the new system as proposed will maintain further distance from the existing well and better protect the environment.

K. Marino made motion to approve plans second by M. Koprowski vote was

Unanimous .

* **1213 Dunhamtown Brimfield- No Varis**

Health Agent J. Terry presented plans from Sherman & Frydryk no variances no vote needed.

**Food Inspector**

* **Update on flea market**

Food Inspector J. Terry updated the board for Sept show. Was a great week. Had an issue with a vendor with regarding delivery of food to another field. J. Terry stated that there is nothing in the food code preventing delivery of food to another field in the food code as long as the food can be properly held at the correct temperatures.

**Other Business**

* **Water Test**

Reviewed by M. Koprowski with 2 Letter from DEP one from the Elementary School not notifying expansion of the system and Hitchcock for monitoring and reporting.

* **Payroll Review**

Board reviewed Payroll for Warrant #6

* **Minutes-**

T. Wood made a motion to approve minutes of July 9th, 2019. Seconded by K. Marino vote unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Metcalf

Administrative Assistant

Next meeting will be held October 1st, 2019

List of Documents – September 17th, 2019

Inspectors Logbook and All Board Meeting

Service dogs/ Support dogs

Drill emergency management

Plumbing inspector flea market

258 Little Alum

13 Laflamme Rd

381 Sturbridge Rd

Update Flea Market

Water Test

August 6th minutes

Warrant Review #6