Board of Health

Virtual Meeting

April 26, 2023

**7:00 PM** Virtual meeting called to order by Mena Mesiha Roll call vote: Hope Klassman –Aye;

Chuck Levine- Aye; Signe Peterson Flieger- Aye; Hillary Johnson- Aye; Mena Mesiha – Aye.

Others Present: Leandra McLean, Kevin Davis, Laura Nelson, Mathew McDonald, Eve Carey, Bill Kondrath

**Kevin Davis presents “Goings on in town” – Update on Sharon Gallery and 40B on Edge Hill Rd**

Davis sent Board a memo (on file in office) outlining current and future developments in Town. Began with Sharon Gallery. Gave a brief background of events and where things stand today. Davis then moved on to a proposed development located at 262-290 Edgehill Road. (memo on file in office). Davis explained that the developer, Edge Hill Holdings, LLC filed a 40B development plan with the ZBA to construct (10) 4-bedroom duplexes. The plan submitted to the ZBA had limited information regarding septic design.

There is concern of neighbors regarding this proposed project and they sent a letter to many of the Town Boards listing their concerns (letter on file in health office). Both Laura Nelson and Matthew McDonald spoke on the potential impact to the street and the neighborhood in regards to the proposed 40B development.

Davis explained that even though this proposed project fell under Chapter 40B, the developer must still obtain various permits as required by state statutes, such as wetlands protection, state highway access permits, and local building permits. At this time, the project is before the ZBA. The ZBA will request letters from each department (Conservation, Health, Engineering, etc…) and they will consider all recommendations received be approving the proposed project. Davis informed the Board and the abutters, that the letter to be sent by him as a representative of the Board of Health, will state that the application is incomplete for septic review and will request that a complete design be submitted before any approval is granted.

**Septic process from application to installation**

Davis reviewed with the Board the process for reviewing and approving septic variances. (Chart on file in office)

**Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and the BOH**

Introduced Diversity, Equity and Inclusion conduit, Bill Kondrath. As moving forward with all things public health and ensuring that our department meets the needs of the community, reached out to the DEIC committee for a liaison.

**Restaurants/ disposable ware/ SSC- language review of proposed regulations allowing reusable takeout containers/ memo review**

Carey, Recycling Coordinator, Sharon Public Schools

Carey provided Board members a memo addressed to all Sharon Food Establishments, Retail Facilities and other establishments serving food to the public with single-use and reusable dine-in or to-go options, providing guidance on: Voluntary participation in Skip the Stuff and Mitigating the use of plastics and Styrofoam through voluntary use of consumer reusable containers. This memo is on file in the office. Board members reviewed and voted to approve the memo to be distributed to those establishments mentioned above.

**Motion: Moved that we approve this memo for distribution. Johnson, Flieger**

Hope Klassman –Aye; Chuck Levine- Aye; Signe Peterson Flieger- Aye; Hillary Johnson- Aye; Mena Mesiha – Aye.

**Vote:**  5-0-0 (Motion Passes)

**Medication kiosk**

McLean updated the Board on the following: Medication Disposal Kiosk, CPR devices, SSPARC additional funds, Medication Safety Rollout, HUGS rock painting, Pre-lake opening meeting, Wellness Committee with SPS, COVID boosters, medication take back program, Sheila Miller waiting room and memorial scholarship, By-Laws Articles 11, 26, 27 on Town Meeting and permitting of food trucks, caterers, dumpsters, portable toilets.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**Motion:** To approve March 2023 BOH minutes Flieger, Klassman

Hope Klassman –Aye; Chuck Levine- Aye; Signe Peterson Flieger- Aye; Hillary Johnson- Aye; Mena Mesiha – Aye

**Vote:**  5-0-0 (Motion Passes)

**Motion:** Moved to adjourn Flieger, Levine

Hope Klassman –Aye; Chuck Levine- Aye; Signe Peterson Flieger- Aye; Hillary Johnson- Aye; Mena Mesiha – Aye

**Vote:**  5-0-0 (Motion Passes)