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Board of Health and Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 19th

Selectmen's Chamber at 1:00 PM and VIA PAN: 4254366404 AC: 202884#

1. PRELIMINARIES:

1.1 Roll Call: Chris Genoter, (CG), Chris Nocella (CN), Carla Hitzenbuhler (CH) and Linda Johansen (LJ), James M. Kreidler Jr., (JK), Don Klein (DK), Wayne Miller (WM). JK opened the meeting at 6:08 PM.

2. APPOINTMENTS / HEARINGS:

2.1. Declaration of State of Emergency March 17, 2020:

The Board of Selectmen (BOS) and Board of Health (BOH) met jointly to discuss the procedure for the current CO-VID19 situation. They decided to cancel the BOH 3/23/2020 meeting, and to change the elections. The BOS will post the notice and vote on the building closure Wednesday. LJ was concerned with the Library remaining open. They discussed how to isolate the Library and Senior Center. JK gave synopsis of the Department Head meeting held Friday, March 20th. They did not want public traffic in the town hall and suggested limiting employees and having appointments for business that cannot wait. They agreed closing outdoor spaces and closed the Recycling Center for two weeks. They discussed remote meetings and how the public will be able to comment and who is policing the establishments. They discussed burner phones for employees to work remotely and agreed that only essential employees will remain in the town hall for the next two (2) weeks and to close the building to public.

2.2 A MOTION was made by CG and 2nd by CN to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 1:40pm.



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**VIA CONFERENCE CALL PER GOVERNOR'S ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS
OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, § 20[†]**

PUBLIC ACCESS NUMBER (425) 436-6304 (access code 202884#)

1. PRELIMINARIES:

1.1 Roll Call

2. WORK SESSION

3.1 Declaration of State of Emergency March 17, 2020

3.2 Future teleconference meeting Monday to discuss septic variance at 41 Adams Road, Monday 6pm 3/23/2020

3. ADJOURNMENT

[†] Per the Governor's Order, and during the State of Emergency now-in-effect or until sooner rescinded, public bodies are relieved from the requirement that they conduct their meetings in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public; provided, however, that all public bodies shall ensure public access to deliberations through adequate, alternative means, which include (but are not limited to) telephone, internet or satellite enabled audio or video conferencing or other technology that enables the public to clearly follow the proceedings of the public body while they are occurring. The Order also allows remote participation by all members of a public body; and waives the requirements that a quorum and the chair be physically present at the meeting location.