

TOWN OF CHARLTON

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BOARD OF HEALTH

June 1, 2021

Members Present: Jon Sanborn, Chair Matt Gagner, Vice Chair Pete Lancette, Member

Also Present: James Philbrook, Health Director

- Chair, Jon Sanborn, called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
- Vice Chair, Matt Gagner, made a motion to accept minutes from May 11, 2021. Pete seconded and all-in favor.
- General discussion about Household Hazardous Waste Day vouchers and this will be discussed with the recycling committee at the next meeting.
- Discussion about the Flint Road landfill repairs. Matt would like to set a maximum figure of \$3500.00 for this repair. Matt made a motion that we allocate a "not to exceed" price of \$3500.00 to have BCB Lawn Care move forward on the emergency repair at the Flint Road landfill as outlined in the scope provided by Gary Magnuson of CMG. Member, Pete Lancette second, all in favor. Health Director, James Philbrook reiterated the urgency to get this fix done and report this back to CMG and our third-party inspection company. Jim does a walkthrough every week to make sure the landfill looks okay. We are in the process of getting bids on the landfill mowing for the next 2 years. Administrative Assistant, Andrea Jachimczyk submitted the bid in the Telegram and Gazette and this automatically put on the "my public notices" website. She also contacted any contractor that has put in a bid in the past.
- Cemetery and Gould updates was next on the agenda. Jim mentioned that we are still
 looking for a lead person for the PIP group and waiting to hear from Mark Baldi at the
 DEP. Things are moving as expected, but Jon doesn't want to lose sight of it.
- Jim gave Covid updates. Schools are getting into graduation time and guidelines were discussed at the DPH call this afternoon. Many restrictions were lifted, and social distancing has been moved to 3 feet at the schools. Some stores are still requiring masks. People should still carry a mask and look for a sign on the door. There have not been any new cases over the weekend that we know of. We have 7 nurses from Charlton still working at the clinic. The nurses as well as the volunteers at the clinic deserve a huge Thank you for their efforts. Jean Vincent has gone above and beyond, and the Board

recognized this. Matt asked about the restrictions in restaurants. Jim said that all restrictions have been lifted. It is advised that non vaccinated employees should wear a mask. Matt asked if any of the restaurants in town had any violations during the pandemic and Jim said they did not. They were very compliant. They have had a rough time and we should let them move forward and return to some normalcy.

- We still have monies for Covid nursing. We have taken on a nurse to help with contact tracing, but right now we don't have any cases to do contact tracing. Jim will attend a CMRPC dinner on June 10th to honor local public health officials that worked with the coalition.
- We have a full stock of PPE for the regional trailer. Jim would like to commend all of his fellow Health Agents and Health Directors.
- Matt asked if there has been any updates about the mosquito spraying. There will be a
 discussion about this on the DPH call next week. Jon is wondering how the word would
 get out if the state was doing any spraying in Charlton. Reverse code red would be used.
 It is a bit early in the season for spraying at this point.
- It was decided that the next meeting would be on June 22nd in person at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Health office.
- Matt made motion to adjourn, Pete second all in favor 6:48 p.m.

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