

Shutesbury Board of Health
May 6, 2020, 7 pm
Virtual meeting

Present: Ken Rotondi, chair; Catherine Hilton, clerk; Norene Pease, Arleen Read, Al Werner, board members; Garrett Simonsen, guest.

Actions:

Minutes of the April 29 meeting were accepted with a minor correction.

Nat Waring, West Pelham Road, T-121, DWCP for new construction. Perc was done in 2016. Charlie recommends approval. Cat will issue permit when fees are paid.

Terresa Ellis, 155 Leverett Road: well construction and destruction permit. The old shallow well will be filled with Bentonite.

Discussion:

May 7 Cat will attend a SB meeting about planning for Annual Town Meeting, presently scheduled for June 27.

H 4650: This is apparently a bill to allow the state to spray for mosquitoes anywhere they want if DPH determines there's a high risk. It flies in the face of the whole mosquito control district concept; on the other hand it's a good selling point for joining the MCD. Natalie?

EDS flu clinic for fall 2020:

Reasons to have it: develop a new capability (drive-thru EDS) and provide flu vaccine when COVID-19 may still be rampant. Many moving parts here, including getting our vaccine provider status restored, having the Leverett-Shutesbury EDS vaccine refrigerator moved here, identifying a medical director, trying to register on MIIS, etc.

Norene and Arleen developed a supply order for the DPH funding; Charlie multiplied it by 4 for the whole district, including supplies for the district itself, which he can distribute if anybody runs short. If we are in fact going to have a flu clinic, both supplies and vaccine will have to be ordered shortly.

Arleen said second instance of a nominal Shutesbury resident has been reported as positive for COVID-19, but both are in fact currently residing at the Center for Extended Care in Amherst.

Norene reported that Deerfield was not satisfied with CTC handling of a case there; Garrett said there are efforts to provide additional training to the contact tracers.

A new printer for the BOH has been ordered.

Assignments:

Arleen will get in touch with Sheryl Stazinski of the Vaccine Unit.

Norene will ask Lisa White about potential medical directors and how to estimate vaccine quantity.

Ken also will contact doctors at University Health Service regarding a medical director for our flu clinic.

Cat will work on a public message about answering the phone in case of a CTC call.

Adjourn 8:30