

**Egremont Board of Health**

**Thursday, May 7, 2020, 10:00 am**

**Zoom meeting**

**Board Members Present:** Charles Ogden, chairman, Dr. William Rose, Ellen Maggio

**Also in Attendance:** Benjamin Bloomstein and Pascal Petersen

**Recording:** Juliette Haas, Director

- 1) The minutes from the April 9, 2020 meeting were accepted as presented (3-0). The minutes from the April 23, 2020 meeting were accepted with one correction (3-0).
- 2) **Bloomstein/Petersen/64 Main Street** Benjamin Bloomstein and Pascal Petersen attended the Zoom meeting to request the board's approval to install the septic tank and pump chamber of their septic system and use it as a tight tank on a temporary basis until they are able to install the full system. The couple was informed of the necessary maintenance and associated costs with the regular pumping once the tanks are  $\frac{3}{4}$  full and also their need to limit water usage while on the tight tank. The couple expressed their plans to undergo extensive renovations to the long vacant building and live there full time with their child when it is completed. The board approved the phased approach to installing the septic system and will allow the tanks to be used as tight tanks on a temporary basis.
- 3) **Walley/5 Prospect Lake Road** Homeowners are working on financing for the replacement septic system. Director Haas will notify the homeowners that the board will require the new system to be installed no later than Fall of 2020.
- 4) **Straher/24 Lakeside Road** Director Haas reported the following findings from a recent site inspection to the board: a wetland delineation of the property has been done as wetland flags were staked, numerous wetland plants on the lot were sprouting, two corners of the structure were in standing water. She also stated that the structure appeared to be sinking. The board requested to review a copy of the wetland delineation report.
- 5) **Recent Field Work:**
  - a. Septic installation/125 Jug End Road
  - b. Tank installation/16 Baldwin Hill East
  - c. Septic installation/60 Creamery
- 6) **COVID-19**
  - a. The wearing of masks is now subject to an Order by the Governor
  - b. A plan for Town Meeting is still in process. The board felt the auditorium at Mt. Everett High School was a place where social distancing could safely be secured. Chairman Ogden will discuss this with the Chairman of the Select Board.
  - c. The board eagerly awaits news of the statewide phased reopening plan to be announced on May 18<sup>th</sup>. BOH will be responsible for enforcement during the roll out.
- 7) The meeting adjourned at 11:20 am. The next scheduled meeting will be a Zoom meeting on May 21<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

*Approved 5/21/2020*  
*JSHaas*