

PERU BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Tuesday April 15, 2021 1:00 PM
Meeting ID: 943 9156 1036 Passcode: 090219 Via Zoom

1. Call to Order 1:01 PM
2. Roll Call Nanette Mone, Darryl Darby, Peggy White, Ed Fahey, Ed Munch and Sandra Martin present. Caleb Mitchell joined at the end of the meeting.
3. State recording status via Zoom.
4. Minutes from the previous meeting 3/9/21 were reviewed, motion made, seconded and all in favor of approving the minutes.
5. Ed's Report: passing perc test at 0 E Main Road, perc test at 2 Kreitzer Road was saturated, soil sample has been set to the lab for analysis.
6. Update on trailers parked on land. Ed Fahey reports Temporary housing is allowed with a temporary housing permit through the BOH. The presence of trailers on land is a zoning issue, up to the Building Inspector and building and zoning codes. Ed suggested the town zoning Board consider writing more specific zoning codes and this was shared with BOH member Darryl Darby who also sits on the Zoning Board. The BOH is involved in issues related to water and sewer only, ie issues related to pumping sewer. The state building code must be followed. After 30 days of parking the trailer is becomes a housing and a zoning issue. Ed shared the state regulations 105cmr410.010 basically stating that any dwelling used for sleeping, cooking or eating must comply with 105 cmr 410.000 minimum standards for housing. Sandra Martin added though that if any of these trailers are used as a rental unit is become housing and is a different issue. Ed shared that historically the BOH is a complainty driven board. We could consider sending a letter to the owners of the trailers but would best to avoid the issue of people feeling targeted if a property owner with a trailer parked on their land was omitted. Motion was made, seconded and all in favor to continue to manage this issue on a complaint based model.
7. Reopening Town Hall: It was stated that it is not the responsibility of reopening is not the jurisdiction of the BOH but the BOH can offer guidance. Training is to be provided by the Town Administrator. The issue of training was discussed. Sandra Martin suggested rather than using a generic power point that the training should be geared to the individual setting. Peggy stated the training content is available on page 5 of Safety Standards and Checklist:Office spaces on mass.gov. The log book was discussed for all employees and public entering. Sandra suggested a short yes/no self review of symptoms and exposure can be added to the log book to comply with the state standards. The log must also contain name, date, time and a means to contact the person. Nanette remind Ed Munch that a checklist must be posted regarding the COVID safety measures that have been implemented. Also Sandra stated that masking is most important. Social distancing, avoiding taking breaks and meal time in the same room, (with recommendations to take breaks outside when possible), hygiene with hand and surface sanitizer were reviewed. Ed Munch feels confident all the necessary measures with be in place with planned opening of town hall. The town has a contract with the cleaning service through 12/31/21.
8. Hogweed update. Ed spoke to the lawyer handling the property at 55 E Windsor Rd who stated he was opposed to herbicide use and had a salt water solution applied to the plants. He is more receptive to the state eradication program but stated there is a potential new owner. Ed will call the lawyer back to regarding the statue of the sale to new owner. Peggy was requested to contact Jennifer Forman Orth-Forman to get a definitive explanation of the program and cost.

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As the plants extend across the street and both sides of the street have plants in the town ROW Ed Munch agrees that the cost must be clarified and that the town is allowed to manage the plants falling in the town ROW but property owners are always contacted.

9. The CHP/BHS Mobile Health Unit is hoping to provide COVID vaccination and has at this time not scheduled any further visits until the ability to provide COVID vaccine is worked out. As the J&J vaccine is on pause there may be further delay.
10. COVID -19 Update Nanette and Peggy with collaboration from Peru COA have reached out to Peru seniors that had available phone numbers regarding the impact of the pandemic sharing resources if needed regarding transportation, food insecurity, COVID testing and the vaccine. The next step is to send a letter to those not contacted.
11. The next meeting will be scheduled for May 13, 2021 at 1:00PM. The agejnda will include Ed Fahey's report, hogweed update and COVID update.
12. Motion was made, seconded and all in favor of adjourning the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:13PM.

Minutes respectfully were submitted as a draft by Peggy White 4/19/2021

Approved

5/13/21

Nanette Mone

Peggy White

Darryl Darby

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