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TOWN OF SOUTHBRIDGE
June 9, 2022 6:00 pm BOH MEETING
Veteran's Room

Agenda #1- Open Meeting- 6:06pm

Agenda #2- Roll Call

- E. Stephens
- N. Duffey-Tardy
- A. Postale
- D. Grabowski

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Note: A. Pelletier request agenda item #7B be deleted from the agenda due to incorrect address listed and any party with an interest on the correct address would not have any opportunity to be heard.

Agenda #3- Accept Meeting Minutes

- a. May 12, 2022- Motion to table the May 12th meeting minutes made by Chair Stephens; 2nd by A. Postal-
Roll Call
 - D. Grabowski-yes
 - E. Stephens-yes
 - A. Postale-yes

Motion passes 3-1 (Duffey). Meeting minutes are tabled.

Agenda #4- COVID Update

a. Discuss current status and act on anything thereto – A. Pelletier reports

*COVID positivity rates have been increasing steadily since February. Approximately 2 weeks ago Southbridge experienced a dip for 2 weeks and now seeing downward trend.

* Southbridge has been offered up to an additional 6,000 (free) COVID test kits from the State. The Town currently has several boxes of home test kits available to the public from the first round provided by the State. A. Pelletier explains at this point, there seems to be little interest for test kits thus having a difficult time moving them out of the office. A. Pelletier states if the Board agrees, we will place an order for additional test kits however, recommends reaching out to the schools to inquire of any interest in kits. A. Pelletier states the home test kits in the office have reached their expiration dates nonetheless, the State gave a general extended expiration date. Member Postale questions how long do we have to order them? A. Pelletier replies the deadline to order is tomorrow. Consensus of the Board- hold off on placing the order

* The shared nurses are keeping up with Contact Tracing. Number of cases within the schools is at a minimum.

* Southbridge Rehab Center has had a cluster for the past 4-5 weeks with no cases reported in 3-4 days.

Agenda #5-Citizens Forum-None

Agenda #6- New Business-None

Agenda #7-Old Business provide by A. Pelletier

a. Blight Update-

- a- 495 South St- The original contractors subbed out the work. The demolition is tentatively scheduled to begin with the month.
- b. 19 Crestwood Drive- Began action on this property but has not heard from the bank. If no action taken by bank, will prepare court documents to request receivership.
- c. 753 Main St- building is secured, front porch in rough shape. This property has been ordered to repair and clean up. We will request bids to clean up this property at the begin of the new fiscal year.
- d. 743 Main St- building is open to weather. This is also another property to be requested for receivership. A. Pelletier reports the council recently appointed Atty Caprera to represent the Town for housing cases. A meeting has been scheduled to meet with Caprera for discussion on how to proceed with court files.

Member Duffey arrives at 6:15 pm.

Chair Stephens questions the property located on Main St with the Red X marked on it before the rotary. A. Pelletier replies he will take a look at this property and provide an update to the board.

b. Update on State Sanitary Code – 109 Pleasant St (see note above)

c. Update on enforcement action – New York Deli; A. Pelletier announces at the owner's request; all the confiscated flavored tobacco has been returned to the owner because the case is now closed. The owner has multiple stores located out of the State where he intends to sell the flavored tobacco.

d. Update Blue Building – New Occupant- Aero Aggregates is a glass processing company who will be occupying the Blue Building. The Blue Building falls under the site assignment and is part of the business park. They requested some flexibility on their driving schedule specifically when they could enter and exit the park, which was granted by the board.

Agenda #8- Chairman Announcements- Chair Stephens announces she will no longer be on the Board and expresses gratitude to the Board for their service.

Agenda #9- Health Director Announcements- A. Pelletier announcements are listed below:

- a. Yard Waste drop-off is open for the season at the DPW 185 Guelphwood Road.
- b. Compost Bins are available through the RDP grant for \$25.00. For Southbridge residents only.
- c. Rain Barrels are also available through the RDP grant for \$25.00. For Southbridge residents only.
- d. Beginning November 1st mattresses AND textiles will not be accepted as Bulk. The department is looking into disposal options.
- e. Recycling is mandatory in Southbridge
- f. Household Hazardous Waste Day is scheduled for June 25th 9am-1pm

Agenda #10- Board Members Announcements-

- N. Duffey-None
- D. Grabowski-None
- A. Postale-None

Agenda #11- Schedule Next Meeting- July 7, 2022 @ 6:00pm

Agenda #12- Adjournment- Motion to adjourn made by Member Duffey; 2nd by D. Grabowski-

Roll Call

E. Stephens-yes

A. Postale-yes

N. Duffey-yes

D. Grabowski-yes

Motion passes unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:34pm

Recording Clerk,

M. Santos

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "M Santos". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the printed name "M. Santos".

