

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**April 15, 2021**

OPENING: The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Health opened at 7:00 p.m. The following members were in attendance:

Dr. Jerome Azia, Chairman

Sue Brzoska, Vice Chairman

Jean Nilsson, Clerk

Ms. Tammy Spencer, Health Director, was also in attendance.

This meeting is being held via Zoom.

Dr. Azia read the Virtual Opening of Meeting statement pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020, order suspending certain provisions to the open meeting law.

**MINUTES**

Ms. Brzoska made a motion to approve the minutes of April 1, 2021. Dr. Azia seconded the motion. Roll call vote is as follows:

Dr. Azia – yes

Ms. Brzoska – yes

Ms. Nilsson - yes

**ATTENDANCE**

Doug Moglin, Select Board Chairman, Joe Deedy, Select Board Vice Chairman, Peter Currier,  
Reminder Publications, Rick Johnson

Ms. Spencer asked Mr. Rick Johnson to attend the meeting to discuss complaints she had received following the recent J Day event held at The Wick 338. Ms. Spencer stated that she had not received any complaints regarding previous smaller events that were held at The Wick 338. Dr. Azia asked if the public was allowed at the event. Mr. Johnson stated that they allowed the rider plus 3 individuals. Mr. Johnson agreed that there was surprisingly a very large amount of people at the track during the J Day event. Mr. Johnson went on to explain that the J Day event tends to draw a very different group of people compared to other organizations that use the track. Despite an additional \$1000 spent on signage, 2 police officers, and 14 independent security people monitoring the event it was still very difficult to ensure safety protocols were being followed at all times. Ms. Brzoska asked if there are capacity limits for these types' events. Ms. Spencer stated that there are no capacity limits for sporting events and proposed to eliminate larger events until the mask and social distancing order is lifted because it's too hard to control such a large amount of people. There was further discussion regarding other larger events that are typically held at The Wick 338. Regarding Lucas Oil Pro Motocross Championship, Mr. Johnson stated that he is anticipating having to cancel Nationals this year and will make his decision within the next 10 days. If Mr. Johnson thinks he will decide to hold the national competition Ms. Nilsson asked that the Board of Health be contacted for discussion prior to making that decision. Ms. Brzoska thanked Mr. Johnson for all his efforts to stay in compliance during events held at the track.

## **MS. SPENCER'S REPORT**

### **TITLE 5**

Ms. Spencer performed final Title 5 inspections at 5 Honey Bird Run, 10 Noble Steed, 7 Noble Steed, 100 Klaus Anderson Road.

Ms. Spencer witnessed Soil Suitability Tests 102 Mort Vining Road, 95 Powder Mill Road, and 6 Laurel Ridge.

### **MEETINGS, TRAININGS, SEMINARS**

- MEHA Title 5 Seminar I/A Technologies
- Point of Contact Meeting for the Regional COVID-19 Vaccine Site at the Big E
- Color Registration Training for the Regional COVID-19 Vaccine Site at the Big E
- Vaccine Task Force Meeting-discussed the homebound vaccination program
- as well as the twice-weekly Public Health Interagency Conference Calls
- COVID-19 Community Corps Meeting with Founding Members Confirmation-US Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy, VP Kamala Harris-discussed the new community forum for public health leaders
- as well as the twice-weekly Public Health Interagency Conference Calls

Ms. Spencer proposed the amendment of the current Seasonal Permit to cover season long events such as farmers markets. Ms. Bzaska would like the definition of a seasonal event on the Seasonal Permit. A Seasonal Permit is a 90 day permit.

Ms. Spencer has updated the fee schedule. Ms. Brzoska would like a copy of the fee schedule.

The Board discussed the proposed Farmers Market to be held at The Brass Rail.

### **COVID-19 DISCUSSION**

Southwick has had 33 positive cases in the last 14 days. As of the date of this meeting Southwick has approximately 2000 residents vaccinated.

The FDA and the CDC have paused

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Ms. Brzoska made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26. Dr. Azia seconded the motion.

Roll call vote is as follows:

Dr. Azia – yes

Ms. Brzoska - yes

Ms. Nilsson - yes

The next scheduled meeting is May 6, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jessica Pelley, Secretary

cc:  
Select Board  
Town Clerk

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Dr. Jerome Azia, Chairman

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Tammy Spencer, Health Director

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Sue Brzoska

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Jean Nilsson

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Date