



TOWN OF WESTMINSTER

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BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES FOR MARCH 25, 2020
B.O.H. MEETING ROOM 205 @ 5:00 P.M.
HELD IN THE WESTMINSTER TOWN HALL
11 SOUTH ST., WESTMINSTER, MA 01473

In Attendance: Board members Dr. Michael Popik, Mr. Edward Simoncini; Mr. H. Christopher Redkey; Health Agent Ms. Rita McConville.

5:00 p.m. Dr. Popik opened meeting read opening statement of Governor Baker's announcement, dated March 12th 2020.

Dr. Popik stated: Until further notice, All Board of Health meetings will be held in the selectmen's meeting room and be televised live on Comcast channel 9 and AWCATV website. There will be no public attendance. If you have business before the Board; a telephone link will be establish for your communication with the board during a portion of the meeting. Anyone wanting to comment on or have input into any discussion that board has is invited to submit them in writing for the board's consideration.

<http://www.awcatv.org/livestream-educationgovernment//>

COVID-19 Update/Discussion

Dr. Popik Discussed the increase concerns related to the pandemic latest numbers. State increases 1,838 County 129. Two from Westminster tested positive, are in quarantine at their home, the public health nurse is checking in with them.

Mr. Simoncini made a motion to post relevant links on Westminster-ma.gov from MEMA-Mass.gov/ Covid 19, Whitehouse informational chart, Covid 19.gov, CDC website. Seconded by Dr. Popik. All were in favor.

Governor Baker's update: Extended the closing of schools until May 4th.

All non-emergency daycares are closed.

Grocery stores are open, designating 1 hour for seniors over 60 to shop. Carry in bags not allowed in stores, plastic/paper bags option will resume.

6 foot distance and no large gatherings or social groups.

Closure of Self-Service.

Stay home if not feeling well.

Restaurants are takeout or delivery service only.

Mr. Simoncini nominated Dr. Popik as Public Spokesman; he would be best and most qualified Mr. Redkey seconded. All were in favor.



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Dr. Popik suggested basketball court to be locked and playgrounds be taped off. Mr. Simoncini added use of barrels & tape from DPW. Hiking trails along Hager Park, Wachusett Mountain, and the Midstate Trail are all open. Ticks are a concern added, Dr. Popik asking people to check themselves.

Approved & signed minutes from 1/8/19/2020

New Business:

Planning Board bylaw comments: Ms. McConville will confirm with Mr. Wallace that Boards concerns have been forwarded to Conservation.

ADA Transition plan and survey on line requested by Planning Board of Departments and Boards due by 3/27/2020.

Old Business:

30 Lakewood Park Road homeowner; Mr. George Brewer had specific questions for the Board. Mr. Simoncini provided answers siting Westminister regulations 245 and Title V Codes Mr. Simoncini moved to send his response to Town Council to be viewed. Dr. Popik seconded. All in favor.

Mr. David Haschig, Camp Pineshore: Requesting extension waiver for Title V inspections of the cabins. Mr. Simoncini updated the Board of his responses to the issues. There are 2 concerns; Public Water Supply registration & title v inspections. Ms. McConville will ask DEP if a waiver can be allowed in this particular case.

Agent Update:

Office hours are cut back. Minimum of one staff will be in the office Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:30. Town Hall is closed on Friday this is to limit town hall employees to 10 persons or less.

Board Members Concerns:

Georgia Pacific at 0 Princeton Road report revealed primary contaminations, such as PCB'S in short paper fiber wastes. DEP will monitor progression, abutters to be notified.

Old Business:

71 North Common Road. Shared septic system documents are incomplete, missing O&M agreement for an occupancy permit.

32 East Gardner Road: Request to come before the Board to discuss new plan.




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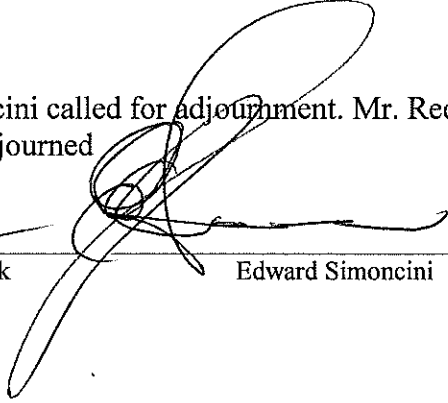
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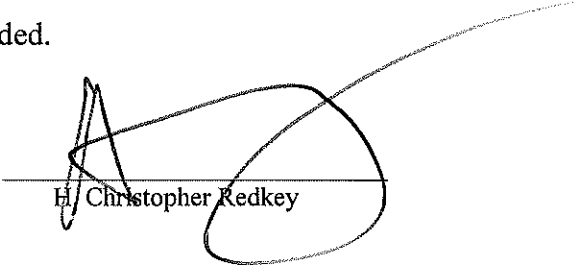
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6:37 PM Mr. Simoncini called for adjournment. Mr. Redkey seconded.

6:37 PM Meeting adjourned



Dr. Michael Popik

Edward Simoncini

H. Christopher Redkey

Attachments:

30 Lakewood Park
Camp Pineshore email
Georgia Pacific email