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## Town of Carver, Board of Health

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Board of Health meeting minutes for February 18, 2020, Carver Town Hall, Meeting Room 3

Attendees: Arthur Borden, Chairman; Eric Mueller, Member; Barry Callis, Member

Also Present: Kevin Forgue, Health Agent

Absent:

Meeting called to order, by Mr. Borden, at 5:00 PM

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### Discussion:

- Review the revised/edited Nuisance Regulations

Mr. Forgue – This is just a highlight of what I have done. All changes were reviewed with the Board Members. If this regulation is adopted, it will be complaint driven.

- Section 1 purpose – eliminated last sentence "constitute hazard/blight...."
- Section 2 removed blight and blighted
- Next Section "term nuisance" original #4 – updated to reflect changes. These will be handled on a case by case bases.
- Section 3 stayed the same
- Section 4 added – Farming exemption – At the Board of Selectmen meeting there was concern over whether we can legally do this. We will have town counsel look at it.

Take some time to review and let me know by next Tuesday. I will then get it to town council. I am hoping that we can have a public hearing, next meeting.

Audience –

Ms. Forand - What if an employee has a concern, would that need a complaint filed? No, not necessarily. The Fire Department does this all of the time.

Mr. Belbin –

- Regarding Farming – Will it apply to commercial? Mr. Mueller – It will be a general law for the Town. Mr. Belbin noted that he would prefer it go to Town meeting.
- 105cmr410 100 – safety / sanitary code for accessory apartment – Maybe you can work with the Planning to incorporate this in. You should also include septic.

- Letter from King Richard's Faire regarding Porta-Johns

Mr. Forgue distributed the letter to the Board Members, for review. They want to replace existing flushable trailer units with Port O John units. The existing units are subject to misuse. Mr. Mueller – I believe there was a maintenance issue with Porto trucks. They also have staff that live on site throughout the festival. There was no contract to make sure maintenance was being done. Mr. Borden – Running water was another issue with that. Mr. Callis – What are the numbers of Port O Johns available and are any handicapped accessible? Mr. Mueller – We should get attendance counts so we can calculate their needs. There is also a maintenance schedule that goes along with it. There hours are 10:30-6:00PM (confirmed by Ms. Gilbin). Mr. Mueller will check on this. Mr. Borden – We still need to address the issue of hand washing.

Audience –

Christine Giblin – There is running water and a changing station accessible within bathroom area. Mr. Mueller – How many units? Ms. Giblin – We have two trailers that are no longer usable which has prompted this request. We are going to replace the trailers, seat for seat. The average attendance is difficult due to being so weather driven. Mr. Mueller – If you could get us some numbers re: units. Mr. Borden – We will need a copy of the maintenance agreement. Mr. Forgue – I will reach out and let them know what we are looking for.

Ms. Forand – I believe the regulation for handicapped facilities is 1 for every 10; in addition, at least one wash station needs to be handicapped accessible. There should also be an emergency protocol when there is a back-up, etc.

- Complaint filed regarding unsanitary conditions at 26 Montello Street

Mr. Forgue – I received a complaint. This speaks to the need for some form of regulation for dealing with properties such as this. I did send a letter (2/5/2020) to the landowner. Chapter 2 in the housing code is the only thing I found, that somewhat relates to this. Mr. Borden – You can't really see the property from the street. Mr. Forgue – There are open bags of trash. Mr. Callis – There is a mobile unit in the back yard. Mr. Forgue – The owner did contact me and stated that they are in the process of cleaning it up. He stated that we should see some progress this week. Mr. Callis – Are there any animals on the premise? Mr. Forgue – The complaint indicates that there are a lot of barking dogs. There are discarded cushions and mattresses by the campfire. Mr. Callis – Were the photo's attached to the letter? Mr. Forgue – No, they were not. Mr. Mueller – We can check the property this week; if there is no progress, we can have the owner come in for the next meeting.

Mr. Shea – You may want an animal control officer with you when you go to this property.

- *Town of Carver Discriminatory Harassment Policy* was distributed to each member for review/signature.
- Update on the Board of Health website, regarding Barry Callis' recommendations.

Mr. Forgue – I am working with the staff; prior to finalizing, I will bring it before the Board. Mr. Callis – I had one addition:

- For residents that wish to make a complaint or engage with us; it is not clear how they do that now. I want to make it clear on how they can do that, including a link to the form to do that. Mr. Forgue – 99% of the complaints filed are done so AFTER a conversation with me. I then refer them to the form. This would help to reduce that. Mr. Callis distributed a draft of his recommendation to the Board.

#### Other Business:

Minutes – January 21, 2020

*Motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 21, 2020, as amended: Mr. Borden*

*Second: Mr. Callis*

*Approved: Unanimous (3-0)*

Correspondence:

Next meeting date:

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 5:00 P.M.□

Adjournment –

*Motion to adjourn 5:47 PM: Mr. Mueller*

*Second: Mr. Callis*

*Approved: ☐ Unanimous (3-0)*