

Truro Board of Health-Minutes  
Tuesday December 15, 2020  
Remote Meeting- 4:00pm

Members Present: Chair Tracey Rose, Vice-Chair Jason Silva, Member Tim Rose, Alternate Member Meredith Goff  
Staff Present: Health Agent Emily Beebe

The meeting was called to order at 4:04.

At the request of the Chair there was a motion to move items on the agenda; **Motion by Meredith Goff, seconded by Jason Silva; Vote 4-0 in favor.**

#### **Report of the Chair**

Tracey Rose announced the resignation of Mark Peters after more than 2 decades of service, and thanked him for his years of service. Peter Van Stratum also resigned after 5 years of service, and the chair thanked him as well. She reported that there were applicants for the open position already.

#### **Discussion on proposed regulations regarding :**

Upgrade triggers discussion included broadening the criteria that triggers an upgrade such as increasing habitable area, consideration of updating the 1978 code systems; requiring upgrade upon teardown; What are the Board's goals? To phase out the 1978 code systems as well as to eliminate cesspools? It was suggested that the Board look at performance in certain situations such as location in a zone II, maybe depth to groundwater, setbacks to wetland resource areas. This might trigger upgrade to I/A or pressure dose.

There was brief discussion about setting a sunset date for cesspools, and where they were located, and that there were funding sources available to help residents pay for the upgrades. There was a discussion on when septic inspections were required;

A residence asked where the cesspools were in town. Jason Silva asked what the wastewater/rental tax fund was being used for. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

**MINUTES from June 16, June 30, July 8, July 21, Aug 4, Aug 25, September 15, 2020; Motion by Jason Silva to approve the minutes as proposed; second by Tim Rose. Vote 4-0 in favor.**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Karen Ruyman posed a question about the minutes not yet posted on the website from April, May.

An email from Kevin Keuchler about past proposals for upgrades from 2017, reviewed by Town Counsel.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:58

Prepared by E. Beebe 

