

## TOWN OF GROTON

Board of Health 173 Main Street Groton, MA 01450

## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Evan Thackaberry, Chair Robert J. Fleischer, Member Michelle Collette, Member

| Date:                | Monday January 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2025                    |
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| Time:                | 6:30 PM  |
| Location:            | Town Hall, 173 Main St Groton MA, 1st Floor Meeting Room |
| Members Present:     | Michelle Collette, Robert Fleischer                      |
| Members Not Present: | Evan Thackaberry   |
| Others Present:      | Katie Berry, Shawn Lothrop                               |

Bob Fleischer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**32 Nashua Rd, Shawn Lothrop, Variance Request to State Sanitary Code 410.430 Habitable Rooms Other Than Kitchen-Natural Light and Electrical Outlets-** Shawn Lothrop, homeowner, was present to address the board and describe his project, renovating the basement area of his home. The Board shared their appreciation for the detailed written submission provided by the homeowner. Michelle Collette moved to grant the variance requested by Shawn Lothrop for 32 Nashua Rd, to State Sanitary Code 410.430 Habitable Rooms Other than Kitchen-Natural Light and Electrical Outlets, Bob Fleischer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Consider Approval of 2025 Tobacco Permit Submissions-** Michelle Collette moved to grant Tobacco Retailer permits to Groton Prime of 619 Boston Rd, Country Farms of 127 Main St, Haffner's of 318 Main St, 786 Mobil Mart Inc of 6 Boston Rd, Boston Road Market of 871 Boston Rd, and Groton Wine and Spirits of 768 Boston Rd, Bob Fleischer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Consider Approval of 2025 Trash Hauler Permit Submissions-** Michelle Collette moved to grant Trash Hauler permits to Prime Disposal of 57 East Main St Ayer and EL Harvey & Sons of 68 Hopkinton Rd Westborough, Bob Fleischer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. Michelle Collette moved to notify Waste Management, GW Shaw, and Republic Services that a trash hauler permit is required by the Town of Groton, and that the Board of Health will require submission by January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 for review by the Board on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.

## **OLD / NEW BUSINESS:**

**Health Agents Report-** Kalene Gendron, Health Agent, was not present at the meeting but had shared written meeting notes which were discussed by the present Board members. The notes stated that Kalene Gendron had no objections to the Natural Light variance of 32 Nashua Rd, and that there was a complaint received by a resident regarding odor coming from the Black Earth Composting at Cow Pond Brook Rd, she provided response on the complaint, as did the Black Earth representative.

Sign permits/ invoices- There were no invoices for signature.

**Minutes-** Michelle Collette moved to accept the minutes of 2 December 2024, as submitted, Bob Fleischer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Schedule Next Meeting-** The Board of Health will meet on Monday, February 3rd, 2025 at 6:30pm at the Groton Center, 163 West Main St.

Michelle Collette moved to adjourn at 6:43pm, Bob Fleischer seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Minutes by Katie Berry, Interdepartmental Administrative Assistant.

## APPROVED: 2/3/2015