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Board of Health Meeting Town Hall Basement COA Room January 27, 2026 at 4:00 pm

In Attendance: Tom Despard, Nick Chiusano Chair NC, Charlie Kaniecki Health Agent CK, Rich Holzman Elizabeth Massa Clerk EM

Open Public Meeting 4:03

Agenda

-Approve last meeting minutes of August 6, 2025 NC motion all approved

-166 Route 20 Condemnation Hearing CK gave report Tom said he has had work done on the house with all new plumbing and electrical CK went over the condemnation orders with Tom. The house is locked and secured. He plans to sell the house in the spring once he has his things cleaned out. The exterior of the building is to be cleared by April 1, 2026, lawn must be kept maintained, a written rehab plan for the dwelling is due by May 1st. Title V needs to be done but there are cars and a tree on it currently. NC motion to condemn all approved.

-10 William Receivership still waiting on an interested receiver for this property, will re-visit in Spring.

-171 Prospect Receivership Receiver has cleaned property, interested buyer has completed a perc and intends to purchase and rebuild this property.

-664 Route 20 Receivership CK went today to inspect with owner. He observed new framing inside, and much work completed including plumbing and heat work. CK recommends to advise AG office to dismiss court action for receiver with acknowledgement from the building inspector that the permit is still in effect. Verifying with BI.

-Review January 2026 Housing list properties status; Title V failures, camps, new houses, condemned properties

-Temporary Housing Three properties currently up for renewal of temporary housing which applies to no more than 90 days occupancy.

-RDP Grant \$10,000 for new cardboard compactor tabled no new info

-Transfer Station Gate damage from plowing

-Dumpster and Roll off permits CK states these are to be issued by the fire dept. tabled for next meeting

-New rubbish compactor installation has not arrived yet

-New cardboard compactor grant installation tabled no new info

And any other concerns that can not wait for the next posted meeting

ConCom is meeting 012926 4pm

55 Soisalo Road: Fire Chief reported this house is falling down 01-26-26, has open shallow well and noticed ATV

activity. CK to search deed, EM to get assessor and tax info. Added to housing list.

180 Route 20 from housing list order was sent to inspect system system/Title V July 2025 no response. CK to have town counsel send letter to inspect, legal order to inspect septic. NC motion to get legal order to inspect all approved.

SEE ATTACHED HOUSING LIST

Public Comment

Rich would like to commend Charlie and BOH in room for excellent work done in 2025.

Rich asked about 15 Maple Street CK completed court ordered inspection because of foul odor complaints from residents on street. Judges order only allowed access to a few rooms, no full access to inspect.

Meeting will adjourn adjourned 5:42 pm

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July 1ST, 2024
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