

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the town's website, at www.essexma.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so via Conference Call. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

The call-in number will be: 717-275-8940. The access code is: 8378315.

- 6:30 p.m.
Consider with the Board of Selectmen whether the April 8, 2020 ORDER delaying re-occupancy of seasonal residences at Conomo Point should be amended in any way, given that the state of the COVID-19 crisis may have changed in the ensuing time period; and further, to review and possibly amend aspects of the "residents-only" Conomo Point restrictions vote, also from April 8; discussion and possible votes.

At 6:33 p.m., Board of Health Chair Dr. Dave Driscoll joined the meeting by telephone and called the Board of Health meeting to order. Board member Alison Roderick and Board of Health Agent Erin Kirchner were also present via telephone.

Dr. Driscoll reviewed the history of the COVID-19 world pandemic to date and explained the Board's reasons for limiting access to Conomo Point, beginning April 8, 2020. Town Counsel Gregg Corbo followed Dr. Driscoll's remarks with further clarification regarding statements from Governor Baker.

All agreed that the order issued on April 8 had been predicated on not knowing how badly the COVID surge might overwhelm our regional hospital system. Since that date, it has become evident that social distancing has slowed the rate of hospitalizations and officials no longer need to guess at hospital capacity, which has turned out to be adequate. Following a short discussion, Chairman Preen moved, that based on evolving data and circumstances concerning the COVID-19 pandemic, that the Boards vote, effective immediately, to rescind its April 8, 2020 Emergency Order titled "Temporary Moratorium on Seasonal Occupancy at Conomo Point During State of Emergency Due to COVID-19"; and, that the Board authorize the Health Agent to work with the Conomo Point Association to issue guidance suggesting that any person who did not reside in Essex County between October 15, 2019 and April 8, 2020, self-quarantine on their premises for a period of fourteen (14) consecutive days from the date of their arrival at their Essex residence, or if any such person is diagnosed with COVID-19, such person

shall remain in isolation until a public health authority (the Massachusetts Department of Public Health or your local Board of Health) states they may leave their home. The motion was seconded.

Both Chairman Pereen and Chairman Driscoll called for Roll-Call votes. Selectman Spinney said that he, Andrew Spinney, approved the motion; Selectman Phippen said that he, Peter Phippen, approved the motion; and, Chairman Pereen said that she, Ruth Pereen, approved the motion. Chairman Driscoll said that he, Dr. Dave Driscoll, approved the motion; and, BOH member Roderick said that she, Alison Roderick, approved the motion. The motion carried.

Chairman Pereen also moved that the Boards vote to reaffirm its April 8, 2020 order limiting access to public areas at Conomo Point and to amend such order by adding the following provision: "Any person with an Essex mooring permit may park a motor vehicle in the Conomo Lane Parking lot for the purpose of accessing their mooring, subject to issuance of a vehicle and mooring specific parking permit that must be displayed at all times." The motion was seconded.

Again, a Roll Call Vote was taken: Selectman Spinney said that he, Andrew Spinney, approved the motion; Selectman Phippen said that he, Peter Phippen, approved the motion; and, Chairman Pereen said that she, Ruth Pereen, approved the motion. Chairman Driscoll said that he, Dr. Dave Driscoll, approved the motion; and, BOH member Roderick said that she, Alison Roderick, approved the motion. The motion carried.

A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted by the Board of Health to adjourn their meeting at 7:07 p.m. Town Counsel left the conference call.

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Attested by: _____
Erin Kirchner, RS, Administrator, Board of Health

Signed date: _____