

Rutland Town Board of Health

Emergency Meeting

October 10, 2019

5PM – Municipal Office Building

The emergency meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5PM by Chair Josh Terenzini. Present were Mary Ashcroft, Sharon Russell and Joe Denardo (by phone), as well as John Paul Fagnant in his role as Town Health Officer. Also present were Fire Chief Christopher Clark with his Assistant Fire Chiefs, Attorney Frank Urso, Uday Dholakia and staff of the Holiday Inn, State Fire Officials GJ Garrow and Patrick Banks.

Town Health Office JP Fagnant announced good news. The Vermont State Division of Fire Safety had issued fire inspection results (attached) indicating that necessary repairs had been done and that the Holiday Inn could be reopened pursuant to NFPA101.

Mr. Banks and Mr. Garrow reported on the work that had been completed excepting those items noted on the report. JP Fagnant reported that the Holiday Inn had not yet sent him proof that it had sent notice to its insurance company. He recommended that the Rutland Town Board of Health allow the Holiday Inn to reopen.

Attorney Frank Urso thanked the Board for holding the emergency meeting and spoke to the Holiday Inn's response to the report of gas leakage. He stated that the Holiday Inn staff had not acted casually toward the matter, and that staff were calling the fire department at the same time a guest was. Mr. Urso and Mr. Dholakia agree that the Holiday Inn would cooperate with Health Office JP Fagnant regarding his investigation and report. They will also send confirmation to JP that they have notified their insurance carrier in writing of the incident and resulting orders and reports.

Fire Chief Clark spoke to the roof leaks and the many calls triggering Fire Department response to the Holiday Inn. Urso reported that the roof leaks had been fixed.

Board member Sharon Russell said that she was glad the repairs were made, but that she was very concerned about the dangerous situation that had existed; town firefighters had been endangered as well as others using the Inn. Josh Terenzini said that the Town did not take lightly the decision to close the Holiday Inn and hopes that there are never again any issues endangering guests or fire fighters. Mr. Dholakia thanked JP Fagnant for what he did.

Board Member Mary Ashcroft moved to allow the Holiday Inn to reopen; motion was seconded by Sharon Russell. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members Ashcroft, Russell, Denardo and Terenzini; Board member JP Fagnant abstained.

There being no further business to discuss, upon motion by Sharon Russell, seconded by Mary Ashcroft, and unanimously voted, the meeting was adjourned at 5:14PM.

Respectfully submitted: Mary C. Ashcroft, Clerk





## DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY

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## FIRE INSPECTION RESULTS

Site Id: 3263

## Structure Information

Name: HOLIDAY INN  
Structure Id: 3263Address: 476 US RTE 7 S  
RUTLAND TOWN, VT 05701

## Owner Information

Owner: HOLIDAY INN (N 3263)  
Phone: 802-775-1911Address: 476 SOUTH MAIN STREET  
ROUTE 7 SOUTH  
RUTLAND CITY, VT 05701

## Building Description

Risk Index: H1	Smoke Det: Yes	Occupants: 489	Units: 151
Const Type: 2B	CO Detect: Yes	Stand Pipe:	Floors: 2
Occ Type: R1	Fire Alarm: Automatic	Sprinkler: Limited	Sq Feet: 62000
Heating: L.p. Gas Heater			

## Project Description

Name: Fire/Explosion September 2019  
Type: Building Project Received: 10/01/2019 Workitem Id: 441444

## Inspection Detail

Req Date: 10/01/2019	Req Type: Requested By Town Fire Chief	
Insp Date: 10/09/2019	Insp Type: Follow-up	Violations: 2
Comply By: 11/09/2019	Occ Granted: Yes	Hazard Index: Level 3
Inspector: PATRICK BANKS (S 100237)		

## Violations and Notes

I met with Rakesh Sachdev, Uday Dholakia and Anil Sachdev with Regional Manager GJ Garrow and Electrical Inspector Peter Olney for a follow up inspection from 10/4/19 report.

All violations from the 10/4/19 have been completed except the below items. Occupancy from September 30th incident for the entire building as a Hotel occupancy per NFPA 101 is granted, pending Rutland Town Local Board of Health approval.

The following are items that are required to be completed within 30 days:

- 1) Pool heaters have the gas to units turned off, parts are on ordered. Shall be repaired by a certified technician prior to being put into service. Send documentation of service to this office.
- 2) Temporary gas is installed and has been serviced and inspected by certified technicians. Temporary tanks will be removed by Irving on October 18th. Owner will need to work with Irving to have new lines dug from existing tanks prior to October 18th.

The above violations shall be corrected by 11/4/19 @ 10 am. A reinspection will be scheduled for that date and time.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

For the Division of Fire Safety,

Patrick Banks  
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