

TOWN OF STERLING  
Select Board  
August 25, 2021

Fair Status

Chair Cranson called the Select Board meeting to order at 6:03 pm. Roll Call: Chair Cranson – Present. Select member Sonnenberg – attended via Zoom. Select member Kilcoyne – attended via zoom. Also present were Town Administrator, Kellie Hebert and Senior Executive Assistant, Kama Jayne. The Board of Health called their meeting to order. Alan Hoffman present. Anne Marie Catalano present. Cathie Martin – Via Zoom. The Fair Committee was present, as was Police Chief Gary Chamberland and Fire Chief David Hurlbut attended via zoom.

The Board of Health agent reported that the Delta variant of COVID is on the rise in Town. The Board of health and Select Board questioned whether the fair could be held without the Fairway, as this is the “draw” for youngsters who have not been vaccinated and are the most likely carriers/transmitters of the virus at this point.

However, the Fair Committee stated that they are financially incapable of holding the fair without the fairway, as this is where they make their money.

After further discussion, the Board of Health voted unanimously to NOT support the Sterling Fair going forward this year.

The Board of Health supersedes all other Boards and Committees. Therefore, the Sterling Fair is cancelled for 2021 and the Select Board supports this difficult decision.

The Sterling Fair Committee asks that the Town make it clear to participants and residents that this is NOT a decision that was made by the Fair Committee. There will be a press release.

Checks/money will be returned to those who paid to participate in the Fair.  
Lost revenue will be submitted to the state for Covid related reimbursement.

The Board of Health Adjourned.

At 7:29, Select member Sonnenberg moved to adjourn the meeting. Select member Kilcoyne 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chair Cranson – Aye. Select member Sonnenberg – Aye. Select member Kilcoyne – Aye Motion carried.