



Town of Boxford

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health

April 14, 2021

NO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE - REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY

6:30PM

Virtual Participation Only

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Present: Richard Taylor, Richard Fahrner, Alex Constan, Heather Forand, Hans Jeppesen, Kendell Longo, Kristin Kwiatak, Lance Cluster, Rick Clarke, Greg Kokorda.

Meeting opened at 6:30 PM by D. Taylor

Roll call indicated that the following members of the Board of Health were present remotely: **D. Taylor, R. Fahrner, A. Constan, H. Jeppesen, H. Forand**

Minutes

Minutes were reviewed from the March 25, 2021 meeting. A **motion** was made by **R. Fahrner** to accept the minutes, **seconded** by **H. Jeppesen**. Approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Bills

D. Taylor reviewed with the Board the current bills payable totaling \$60,671.43 A **motion** was made by **R. Fahrner** to accept the total bills of \$60,671.43, **seconded** by **H. Jeppesen**. **Approved** unanimously with a roll call vote.

Announcements

Boxford Earth Day Saturday May 1, 2021 11:00am-3:00pm

Collect litter around town and drop off at the recycling center behind Town Hall to receive a free Benson's ice cream sundae. No household trash permitted. Paper shredding 11:30-2:30pm 1 box (1'x1'x2') free per resident.

Director's Update

K. Longo received an invitation for save the date regarding a workshop for DPH harmful algal bloom which is free for anyone that would like to participate on May 27 9:00-1:00. The guidance for the Apple festival was sent out and for the color run they will be handing out pre packaged slush. Camps are getting ready to submit their plans and the Board and will be informed as that progresses. The Cole School project regarding the additional testing was submitted and waiting on results. **D. Taylor** stated the importance of testing for Arsenic in different locations. **K. Longo** will follow up with Steve Clifford. Homebound vaccinations are currently on hold. **K. Longo** stated Boxford has about 12-15 homebound residents and that she will check with the Pam the COA director for an update.

Variance 225 Main Street

Rick Clarke from EPS Associates was present to request a variance for 225 Main Street.

The Board of Health voted at their meeting on April 14, 2021, to grant the following requested variance to the Individual Sewage Disposal System Plan for 225 Main Street, dated 12/1/20 and submitted to this office on March 16, 2021.

310 CMR 15.211

The Distance from a private well to a leaching facility is required to be 100 feet. Specifically, the Board of Health voted to approve the well be no less than 55 feet from the new leaching facility. A **motion** was made by **R. Fahrner** to approve the variance at 225 Main Street to permit the leach field to be less than 100 feet from the well and no less than 55 feet to the well to allow the setback from the wetlands from 150 feet to 100 feet based on the condition that it is the best solution given on the lot conditions and it is approved based on the conditions that the wetlands are verified by Cons Com, that the well is verified to be a bedrock well not a hand dug well or any other type of shallow well, and that a Coliform testing is performed annually for five years on the water supply unfiltered into the house. **Seconded by A. Constan.** Approved **unanimously** by a roll call vote.

Recycling /Trash Issues

A. Constan told the Board that there needs to be a meeting with Waste Management. There are streets being missed and one street, Rowley Road is being collected on Wednesday with their scheduled day being Tuesday. **A. Constan** said the Town is 3 years into the contract and still getting missed pick-ups. The other issue is the cardboard that will only be collected if it is in the recycling bin based on the contract. **A. Constan** would like some communication to be sent out to residents and fines to Waste Management

might have to happen for missed streets. **D. Taylor** said there should be a zoom meeting during work hours with Roy Boyer of Waste Management and explain that the Town will assess penalties if missed pick-ups continue to happen.

Covid-19 Issues

D. Taylor stated as of May 19, 2021 everyone ages 16 and older is eligible for the Covid-19 vaccine. **K. Longo** told the Board that this summer season per DPH that Camp Rotary will require a CPR certified staff member who will look after campers that have Covid-19 symptoms and that the camp will be open at full capacity. **K. Longo** stated to the Board that Camp Rotary will resume with overnights and will be providing their plan to the Board. **K. Longo** said there are 6 new cases as of today April 14, 2021.

Adjourn 7:30pm

With no further business, on a **motion** made by **H. Jeppesen**, **seconded** by **R. Fahrner**, the Board of Health voted **unanimously** with a roll call vote to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Kwiatek
Minutes Secretary