

Minutes approved via Zoom at the July 13, 2021 meeting

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Meeting Held via Zoom on June 22, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Members Present: Chris Rogers, Chair; Scott Powell, Member; Chris Slade, Member

Also Present: Bill Brookings, Health Agent, Nashoba Associated Boards of Health and Kristen Zina, Health and Permitting Assistant

Chris Rogers makes motion to open meeting at 6:06pm

6:00pm

WORKING SESSION

Minutes approval, Mail Review
Building Permit Applications
Inspection Reports

APPOINTMENTS:

- None

ACTION/DISCUSSION:

Recurring Topics:

- Coronavirus
 - Bolton is still at zero new cases, 71.2% of residents have been fully vaccinated.
 - Board also feels that meeting on zoom works best, unless there was a public hearing, then meeting could be moved to the Houghton Building.
- Central Mass Mosquito Control
 - July dates for potential spray dates have been added to the BOH calendar

New Topics:

- NGI – Joel Frisch
 - Updated report has been given to the BOH for review.
 - A letter has been sent to DEP to say they are looking at the surface water and the private wells, which is the primary focus of the testing.
 - More wells would be third round of drilling. Required to sample 5 houses (4 wells). In the past 10-12 have been sampled. May be worth it to expand and sample more wells, potentially 14 wells, around the area of 131 Forbush Mill to Still River.
 - In the previous year the private wells tested good. 6 houses tested for arsenic and nothing was found.
 - The number are going down from where there were the past 10-15 years. Surface water also looks good.
 - Vegetation is growing around testing area. Small enough to use a mower to clear it and seed the west side of the landfill..
 - Board of Health will reach out to the new DPW director and take a site visit with him.
- ALS Ride
 - Email sent to the Board as an FYI. Board see no issue with the ride.
- NABH Grant Letter
 - BOH Chair and Town Administrator should sign the letter of support before July 31, 2021
- 155 Nourse Road
 - Homeowners Mr. & Mrs. Eska have joined the BOH meeting regarding their building permit approval
 - The structure was used a wood working shop in the past
 - Current homeowners purchased in 2008 and converted that space into a living area for a family member. They were advised to have the structure properly permitted for that converted space so the relative could live there. That did not happen and a year into them living there the building inspector advised them that the relative could no longer live there as it was not properly permitted.
 - Now there has been a change to the Town bylaw for detached apartments
 - C.Rogers – At this time, what is needed from the BOH?
 - B.Brookings – the as built from 1998 / 1998 shows that the system is serviced by a gravity pump, 500 gallon tank. What does the board consider the structure?

- C.Rogers – in the past the Board has permitted these structures
 - C.Slade – With the bylaw changed, the single family dwelling with an accessory apartment, this tank would be large enough
 - Mr. Eska – There have been zero issues over the years with the tank and it has worked well.
 - 13 rooms total 4 bedroom septic system design flow, 4 bedroom deed restriction required
- 48 Hudson Road
 - Business Certificate renewal, West Pond Inn. Use has been approved by the Board in the past
- 4 Cider Circle
 - Proposed finished basement permit
 - Shared system, Jack has done inspection. Board will send a letter to the new homeowner informing them of what letter to the previous homeowner stated,
- 727 Main Street Status
 - No updated from C.Slade. Letter to be sent to the owner.
- Bare Hill Road
 - Letter from the building department is now at it's 30 days. No response from the home owner.
- Spectacle Hill Road
 - Bill working with homeowner and attorney. No information from Tamera as well at the time of the meeting.
- Bolton Woods Way Status
 - Engineer informed Bill that the owner. If the process is not moving along, letter to be sent with a time line to get the failed system fixed.
- 357 Main Street
 - Letter has been sent with no response. A 2nd letter is needed

BUILDING PERMITS:

- 933 Main Street – Bathroom Renovation (B.Brookings approved 6/7/21)
- 29 Mill Pond Road – Bathroom Renovation (B.Brookings approved, 6/7/21)
- 89 Spectacle Hill Road – Sign (B.Brookings approved 6/7/21)
- 113 Harvard Road – Occupancy (B.Brookings approved 6/8/21)
- 52 Powder Hill Road - Pool (B.Brookings approved 6/18/21)
- 53 Old Bay Road - Deck (B.Brookings approved 6/18/21)
- 4 Cider Circle – Finished Basement (B.Brookings approved 6/18/21)

SEPTIC PERMITS:

- 927 Main Street – Dbox
 - Board give Bill ok to sign and move along
- 376 Wattaquaddock Hill Road – Dbox
 - Board give Bill ok to sign and move along

INSPECTION REPORTS:

- 927 Main Street – Dbox
 - Pass
- 64 Moderator Way
 - Pass
- 376 Wattaquaddock Hill Road
 - Pass

C.Rogers makes motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:49pm, S.Powell & C.Slade 2nd, Passes 3/0

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(except public hearings which cannot begin prior to the time listed)****