

Minutes approved via Zoom at the July 27, 2021 meeting

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Meeting Held via Zoom on July 13, 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

6:00pm

WORKING SESSION

Minutes approval, Mail Review
Building Permit Applications
Inspection Reports

C.Rogers makes motion to approve minutes from June 8, 2021 and June 22, 2021, 2nd by S. Powell, passes 3/0

APPOINTMENTS:

- None

ACTION/DISCUSSION:

Recurring Topics:

- Coronavirus
 - No new cases at the time of the report just prior to Memorial Day
 - 74.6% fully vaccinated (86% of those eligible)
 - Continue to send News & Announcements on Fridays
- Central Mass Mosquito Control
 - No new information regarding this topic at the time of the meeting
 - S.Powell – no updated on findings of EEE in MA
 - Is there a need to touch base with Tim at this time? S.Powell - not at this time, perhaps when August
 - Information has been posted on the BOH webpage as well

New Topics:

- Lot 12A Sugar Road
 - Drilled well on lot behind this one. Owner is looking to see the existing house and build on a new lot.
 - The original well drilled was a low producer and low quality. So he drilled on the lot behind that location and was better quality and quantity.
 - There are 3 presented options for the Board to approve and would like input
 - (1) Utilize the existing well to provide water for both 576 and the new home proposed for Lot 12A with a maintenance agreement between parties.
 - (2) Utilize the existing well to provide water for 576 and drill an additional well in close proximity to provide water for the new construction.
 - If this option is chosen, they may need a Variance approved
 - (3) Disconnect 576 from the well on Lot 12 and reconnect to the inferior well and either drill a new well for 576 or try to improve the existing well in some fashion. The well for 576 was only able to get 6gpm and the water had a lot of sulfur in it which stained the fixtures.
 - C.Rogers – Is there anything he can do to get that existing well to produce better? It would be best to keep this a clean and the well serving the house should be on the lot. Shared lots are not the normal action these days. If the minutes from the original agreement can be located, the Board can see what was asked of him, Would show that this was allowed back then, but cautioned him that he would need to take a different action when Lot 12A was ready to be built on.
 - B.Brookins – Not sure what that lot even has to offer, that's why he is proposing other options
 - C.Slade – Agrees with C.Rogers that shared wells are not the best option. There are so many things you can do to a well to make it work.
 - C.Rogers – Recommended course of action is to find the minutes reflecting the boards decision at that time and see if he can drill the well on the lot that the house they are looking to serve.

- 631 Main Street
 - Board received a letter from the new owner stating they thought the Title 5 was complete before the sale of the home. A letter was sent to the seller before the sale of the property explaining that the discharge was going into the septic and it needed to be resolved. However, the new owners received the follow up letter from the BOH stating that they needed to address the backwash going into the septic when the sellers had not contacted the Board. It has been explained to the new owner that this is not a reason for the title 5 not to pass. This is something that the Board asks to be resolved when it is found.
- Region 2 2021-2022 Representative Letter
 - Will the NABH still have the same representatives as last year.
 - If they are the same, KZina can send the updated letter.
- Spectacle Hill Road
 - The resident is back home and Tamera is working with the case worker.
- Bolton Woods Way Status
 - Sewage Breakout in someone's back yard that does not own the system as it is with in the easement.
 - Bill has been speaking to / emailing the owner, they have not yet been able to fix it, Board may choose to issue a certified letter to correct the issue with time lines to fix the problem.
- Green Road
 - There is a home for sale, current renters have some concerns. Bill has reached out to the owners.
- 357 Main Street
 - New Owners still have not produced a new Title 5
 - Board to send Certified letter requesting the Title 5
- 727 Main Street Status
 - No Updates
- Bare Hill Road
 - Still waiting for a response from the letter sent by the building department

BUILDING PERMITS:

- 58 Houghton Farm Lane – Occupancy (B.Brookings approved 6/22/21)
- 30 Bowers Spring – Tent Permit (B.Brookings approved 6/29/21)
- 4 Rocky Dundee Road – Kitchen Remodel (B.Brookings approved 6/29/21)
- 580 Main Street – Tent Permit (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 84 Frye Road – Screen Porch (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 287 Harvard Road – Kitchen Remodel (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 291 Hudson Road – Tent Permit (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 260 Sugar Road - Sunporch (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 377 Still River Road – Solar Panels (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 38 Vaughn Hill Road – Addition (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 25 Pinewood Road – Addition (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 12 Green Road – Tent Permit (B.Brookings approved 6/30/21)
- 117 Wilder Road - Addition (B.Brookings approved 7/6/21)

SEPTIC PERMITS:

- 18 Harris Farm Road – Dbox
 - Work has been done
 - Closing is soon

INSPECTION REPORTS:

- 29 Green Road
 - Pass
- 18 Harris Farm Road
 - DBox
 - Garbage Grinder and Water filter
 - Need to be completed before Certificate is issued
- 58 Main Street – Upper & Lower Buildings
 - Both Pass
 - No changes from last inspections with no occupancy in the buildings
- 122 Wattaquaddock Hill Road
 - Water filter tied to system, DBox
 - KZina to send letter
- 4 Teele Road
 - Pass
- 9 Manor Road
 - Pass

C.Rogers makes motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm, S.Powell 2nd, passes 3/0

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