



BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES

Meeting Held at the Houghton Building on **September 10, 2019** at 6:00 PM

Members Present: Christopher Slade, Chair, Christopher Rogers, Member, Scott Powell, Member

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

Call to order: **6:09pm**, indicates that this part of the meeting is being recorded

Appointments:

6pm EEE – Update

- Board Member Chris Rogers – Per the town vote in the past, Bolton does not spray for mosquitoes. At this time the State initiating aerial spraying and the Town was informed of the decision. The State provides a map of the aerial spraying showing that a part of Bolton was in the spray zone. Prior to this, the schools did some spraying around playing fields with approval as the high school is school property. The State is not going by property, this is aerial spraying.
- Board Member Scott Powell – As a reminder the vote was not to participate in the Central Mass Mosquito Control Program.
- Resident Cindy Pollastri – Bolton and Harvard are moderate risk, we only about the neighborhoods that are high risk.
- Board Member Chris Rogers – We're a partial spray, we did have a positive test. Once that test comes back, we only have 2 weeks to respond looking for action to take place. At this time, the Board of Health need to have further discussion for an action plan. Discussion on the plan on possibility of bringing back to town meeting.
- Ms. Pollastri – How effective is the spray?
- Board Member Chris Rogers – The real appeal to the program is they have other control options, smart management is the best plan. We have a program with the DPW to put dunks in the water as well.
- Ms. Pollastri – It is frustrating that we are getting sprayed.
- Resident Amy Clark – People travel around and there is no say in where they were exposed to the mosquitoes, how many, it's being found in and in other animals, exposure can be anywhere, not just the property.
- Ms. Pollastri – How do we let people know who are not on social media?
- Board Member Chris Rogers – a Reverse 911? Should give people a fair warning.
- Board Member Chris Slade – The State feels it's an emergency situation, only gave us 12 hours notice of the spraying.
- Ms. Clark – It is a serious disease, we can advocate for other safe measures. However, some people have no choice but to be outside.
- Board Member Chris Rogers – A lot of parents are upset over not spraying. BOH has not said no to spraying, the town has voted down. Looking for time with BOS and Administrative for a future plan.
- Ms. Pollastri – Other towns are cancelling evening and athletic activities.
- Board Member Chris Slade – The school needs to take their own precautions.
- Ms. Pollastri – School said you should use spray before school.
- Parks & Rec Ali Webb – P&R will reach out to all town sports have plans in place and she will follow up. Should a position be taken as a whole?
- Board Member Chris Rogers – Measures of proper clothing, dusk to dawn, personal spray, are the best. Some people want a spray to make them feel better, it's a matter of getting there – who does it, funding, who endorsements
- Board Member Scott Powell – What level of threat initiates the action?
- Board Member Chris Slade – Should we commit to a meeting with us and BOS, schools, PR, to come up with a policy as to how we handle at a local level?

- Ms. Clark – There are factors to use in making decisions – weather and climate. It would have been better to be part of a program and then decide if action is needed.
- Ms. Pollastri – It is too confusing to use chemicals with no statistics on program. It does not seem to make sense to spray. Spray is killing natural predators. If a program is to be introduced, we need education on what is being done.
- Board Member Chris Rogers – We've had the directors in the BOH and town meetings in the past to go over the education.
- This portion of the discussion was ended.

Recording of meeting is stopped

Further discussion on EEE and the Boards next steps:

- Board to request to be added to the Board of Selectmen's meeting.
- Scott Powers – Our concern should be public spaces. We don't have the budget, given the town votes it's not wanted.
- Chris Rogers – Last time we brought to town, we wanted fields sprayed and we'd bring it to town meeting. Part of our job is to bring it back to town meeting, there is more to spraying.
- Scott Powell – Take steps to stay moderate.
- Send Chris Tim's (CMMCP) number

6:33 – James Bendenson

Jeffery Allen, attorney is here on James' behalf

There is confusion as to which well they are discussion.

Lot 23, 24, 25, 26 Old Stone Application Bill has is for Lot 39.

No issues with the proposed wells, we need the well driller application, plan for the proposed well location, prior to deed language that ties the lots together. Jeffery is taking control and will get all the information. Bill needs a full size scale copy of the plan. He will bring all paperwork to KZina at the town hall.

6:40 – Bruce Slater – letter receipts are submitted, as was the notice in the paper. He owes the actual cards. Bill has presb notice. Bill showed site plan to board. Presb dept is greater than state code, new constriction because they are increasing flow, Ross' letter half of grease trap is 54in deep, presb is 4 feet deep, fabric has been installed over the bed. There is a concern on the dept, state is concerned on anything over 3ft. All components are acceptable, it's vented.

Close hearing – all in favor to issue variance

KZina to send letter

Minutes reviewed for :

- C.Rogers moved to approve the minutes of August 13 and 27, 2019, C.Slade 2nd. Motion passes 2/0.

Mail Reviewed:

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Action/Discussion:

- CMS Irrigation Well, Lot 35
 - We are holding all lots until deed language is given to us, there is concern that the language doesn't line up.
- 17 Lancaster Rd –
 - Board could do a plain view inspection
- Dept Public Health Survey
 - Where time is spent in health departments.
 - Bill to look for it and move to next meeting.
- 6 McNulty Road ownership change –
 - Appears to Bill that there are new owners
 - KZina to look at assessors report.
 - If change in ownership change, KZina to send letter

Building Permits Reviewed:

- 10 Weathers Lane – Dbox
 - Signed by board
 - Certificate of compliance issues, no letter needed

Septic Permits Reviewed:

- Lot 5 John Powers Lane
- Lot 1 Houghton Farm Lane

Inspections reviewed:

- 325 Ballville
 - Report looks fine, Bill questions the abandoned grey water pit, these shouldn't be there
 - Conditional pass, need more info
 - KZina to send letter
- 32 Frye Rd
 - All set
- 313 Berlin Road
 - They forgot (Bill will call Jack)
 - They should be stating that pump is working.
 - Bill needs more info. Sheet to be revised,
- 438 Sugar
 - Conditional pass, dbox
- 105 Vaughn Hill Rd
 - Pass

Chris Rogers moved to adjourn the Board of Health meeting at 7:28 pm, Chris Slade 2nd. Motion passes 2/0.

