

## **BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES**

Meeting Held via Zoom on September 13, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Members Present: Chris Rogers, Chair; Wendy Karlon, Member

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

### **Minutes approved at October 11, 2022 Meeting Via Zoom**

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

- None

#### **ACTION/DISCUSSION:**

#### **RECURRING TOPICS:**

- Coronavirus
  - Bolton had 5 new cases at the time of the last report
  - Test Kits are still available at Town Hall for residents

#### **NEW TOPICS:**

- Northeast Geoscience, Inc. – Joel Frisch
  - C.Rogers – The Board planned to have him go to the site when the ground was frozen to take care of brush.
  - J.Frisch – Hasn't happened, needs to happen. Quite a bit of brush, needs to be removed
  - C.Rogers – Can it be done now, J.Frisch states that it can.
  - J.Frisch – Most on western edge
  - C.Rogers – How quickly can they meet with Joel out there?
  - K.Zina – Will send Randy a message saying we want to get NGI out there.
  - J.Frisch – Testing was done, same as last several years. They have been sampling the brook that runs by and the houses that are down gradient. There are 5 private wells that are required to be sampled. They have not detected anything in the private wells, even after retesting. They tested 3-4 houses for arsenic, all were negative.
  - C.Rogers – proposes a map of the landfill and the neighboring houses and pick which need to be sampled, can be done at the site visit. This would create a plan for going forward.
  - C.Rogers – PFAS is a topic, are they currently testing for PFAS and does J.Frisch recommend it? J.Frisch states the landfill was capped in 1995, they do not test for it, it's not inexpensive to do. The problem with pfas compound is they are finding them everywhere, it's hard to say where the source. The detection level is "parts per trillion", which is low. It is common to get false positives. He would recommend not testing for it on the private wells.
  - C.Rogers – Understands it is difficult to say where it came from. Offer as an option if they want it.
- Person's Park
  - Nothing new for this meeting.
- Drought Status in Massachusetts
  - The drought is not as critical as it was in August.
- 100 Wattaquaddock Hill Road
  - The State is still working with address listed and neighbors surrounding them for any additional PFAS.
- 727 Main Street
  - B.Brookings is planning to do a site visit in the coming weeks. And update will be provided next meeting.
- Well Regulations
  - Nothing new for this meeting.
  - Test kits are now available at town hall for homeowner testing.
- 95 West Berlin Road

- Nothing new for this meeting.
- 8 South Bolton Road
  - Septic file has letters from past that should be addressed at this time. Well tested annually, 1500G tank installed so testing could stop. There is a question on bedrooms, the homeowner indicates there are 4 bedrooms, the permit is for 2 bedrooms. B.Brookings - Is a deed restriction needed? C.Rogers believes that in being consistent, yes. Maybe remind them of the letter as it is their best interest to resolve it. Bill to approve permit at this time and will draft a letter.
- 57 Hudson Road
  - Doug Storey has joined the call to informally as for a variance on a proposed garage. The issue is at the 50ft setback from the street, so they cannot bring it closer to the road and keep the same size garage. The tank is about 5 feet from the back of the house, the regulation is 10 feet. If the board is agreeable to the variance request, a formal request to the Board.
  - C.Rogers states this proposed garage will not add bedrooms to the home, he also asks that he shares the plan that they are using to protect the tank given how close it is to the excavation and as long as this will not impede any future pumping or maintenance on the tank.
  - D.Storey can reach out to B.Brookings for the formal request as to which code is being referenced for the variance and he will need to give the abutters a notice of the hearing 10days in advance.
- Goose Pond Path – Cistern Well.
  - The drilled a well initially to fill the cistern and it did not fill adequately, they requested a new one be drilled and this well is sufficient. B.Brookings - Still waiting on builder to respond on the fate of the first well to be used for irrigation or decommissioned. The development is nearing completion, the developer will need to have this addressed.
  - K.Zina to update the developer with the Boards update.
- 52 Bolton Woods Way
  - The owner has emailed in asking for a request. The Board grants her a 30 day extension until October 28, 2022.

#### **BILLS PAID:**

- None since last meeting

#### **BUILDING PERMITS:**

- 133 Fox Run Road – Pool (B.Brookings signed 8/12/22)
- 16 Rocky Dundee Road – Alternations (B.Brookings signed 8/12/22)
- 48 Manor Road - Deck (B.Brookings signed 8/12/22)
- 280 Sawyer Hill Road - Pool (B.Brookings signed 8/12/22)
- 42 Spectacle Hill Road - Deck (B.Brookings signed 8/23/22)
- 16 Goose Pond Path – Occupancy (B.Brookings signed 8/25/22)
- 570 Main Street - Alternations (B.Brookings signed 8/26/22)
- 41 Main Street - Alternations (B.Brookings signed 8/26/22)
- 100 East End Road - Tent (B.Brookings signed 8/26/22)
- 357 Main Street - Alternations (B.Brookings signed 8/26/22)
- 3 Autumn Lane – Repairs (B.Brookings signed 8/31/22)
- 119 Wattaquaddock Hill Road – Demolition (B.Brookings signed 9/1/22)
- 201 Forbush Mill Road - Pool (B.Brookings signed 9/1/22)
- 159 Ballville Road – Tent (B.Brookings signed 9/1/22)
- 159 Ballville Road – Temporary Structure (B.Brookings signed 9/1/22)
- 86 Hudson Road – Repairs (B.Brookings signed 9/1/22)
- 199 Fox Run Road – Geothermal Heat Pump (B.Brookings signed 9/1/22)

**SEPTIC PERMITS:**

- 113 Sampson Road – Dbox
  - Bill To sign for the Board
- 131 Sugar Road
  - Leaking tank to be sealed.
- Main Street Lots 1 & 2
  - Two new lots
  - The plan has 2 systems and will need a annual inspection of sewer line by homeowner.
- 16 Goose Pond Path
  - New permit needed to issue certificate of compliance. The next 2 homes in the development are in the same situation and will need to apply.
- 166 Harvard Road – Sewer Line / DBox
  - Based on Title 5 inspection done
- 63 Bolton Woods Way – Upgrade
  - Engineer has sent plan for review.

**WELL / WATER REPORTS:**

- 113 Sampson Road
  - Pass
- 28 Vaughn Hill Road
  - Pass
- 128 Nourse Road
  - Pass, after an elevated level of coliform, the owner has fixed the issue
- K.Zina to update the spreadsheet and send letters to owners how have done Title 5 and not tested the water. The water test can be a condition of the passing Title 5.

**INSPECTION REPORTS:**

- 113 Sampson Road
  - Needs DBox, brush growth over the SAS system. B.Brookings has spoken with the owner and it is being addressed
- 47 Nourse Road
  - Pass, no water test
- 166 Harvard Road
  - Sewer line / DBox
- 53 Bolton Woods Way
  - Water filter discharging into the septic, letter to be sent
- 131 Sugar Road
  - Tank seal, water test needed
- 25 Drumlin Hill Road
  - Garbage grinder, water test needed

C.Rogers makes motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 9, 2022, W.Karlon 2<sup>nd</sup>, Passes 2/0

C.Rogers makes motion to adjourn meeting at 7:00pm, W.Karlon 2<sup>nd</sup>, Passes 2/0