



**TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
Meeting Minutes**

**BOARD/COMMITTEE:** Board of Health

**MEETING DATE:** 3/10/21

**TIME:** 7:30 PM

**PLACE:** Virtual Meeting – this meeting was conducted via remote participation, pursuant to the Current Executive Order.

**Members Present:** Marie Cannon, Bryan Lynch, Pamela Follett

**Other Attendees:** Jim Garreffo, Agent for the Board

**Appointments:** None

**Discussions:**

**Well water issues:** The Board discussed recent well water test results which showed the presence of PFAS in well water along Rt.111. Les Fox has spoken with Marielle Stone (MassDEP) about the source of contamination (unknown). MassDEP will pay to test for PFAS in limited number of wells with the hope of gathering more information which may help narrow the source of contamination. RCAP Solutions will be starting its program of testing private wells and providing education shortly; they will offer a limited number of tests to town residents.

**Vibalogics (1414 Mass Ave):** JG provided comments on the proposed project for the Board's consideration.

PF provided a review of her presentation from last month, on the biological processes which are the basis of the proposed business to inform the process for creating regulations. PF facilitated a review of her working draft of proposed regulations with the Board for their input; the proposal would permit the use biological agents allowed in a BioSafety Laboratory (BSL) 2. PF recommends simple operations (BSL -1 facilities) would need a simple permit, and BLS-2 facilities an institutional biosafety committee. The Board agreed the need to enact regulations once the final draft is reviewed. Board discussed MGL which would allow charging the applicant for the cost to review and conduct enforcement, such as hiring a wastewater consultant to review the flow from the facility. BL suggested the Board take PF up on her offer to be the BioSafety Agent for the Board of Health and MC agreed; BL moved to appoint PF as the Board's BioSafety Agent, MC 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote passed.

1) COVID-19:

- JG provided the Board with an update on cases, trends seen in the community/school, update on State orders, standards, discussed Homebound vaccination program, waiting for more information from the State.

2) CORRESPONDENCE:

- Animal Inspector nomination papers for Phyllis Tower: **Voted**  
The Board voted to re-nominate Phyllis Tower for Animal Inspector.
- Boxborough Meadows MassDEP GWD Application; **Reviewed**  
The condominium association has submitted the renewal application to the DEP for its groundwater discharge permit.

3) DRINKING WATER REPORTS:

**Agent to Review**

- 493 Mass Ave- Blanchard School

4) SDS / WWTF / Groundwater Discharge Reports :

**Agent to Review**

- 629 Mass Ave
- 330 Codman Hill Rd.
- Harvard Ridge Condominiums

5) FOR SIGNATURE:

**Approved**

- Invoice for fourth quarter nursing and environmental services – Nashoba Associated Boards of Health