



TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH Meeting Minutes

Boxborough Water Resources Committee Meeting Minutes for April 20, 2021

Approved May 25, 2021

Voting members present: Les Fox, Chair; Bryon Clemence, Clerk; Mark Barbadoro, Bryan Lynch; Stephen Schmitt.

Voting members absent: None

Non-voting members present: John Neyland.

Others present: Cindy Markowitz, Planning Board Chair.

Public participation: None

The Water Resources Committee (WRC) held its regular meeting on April 20, 2021, online in accordance with state COVID-19 policy, using the Zoom meeting application. The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:39 PM.

Public Input, Emails, and Correspondence. Discussed under specific items below.

1. Approval of meeting minutes. The Committee approved the minutes of March 23, 2021 by a roll call vote of 5 to 0 (moved by Barbadoro, seconded by Lynch). The Committee also approved revised minutes for February 24, 2021, correcting a meeting date, by a roll call vote of 5 to 0 (moved by Barbadoro, seconded by Lynch).

2. PFAS testing and DEP private well testing program. Fox summarized testing of Hager well and Town Hall. He forwarded results to town's health agent and is checking requirements with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The Assistant Town Administrator reported 81 people had signed up for the DEP private well testing program. Lynch noted that no treatment technologies for PFAS, as regulated by DEP, have been approved by the National Sanitation Foundation.

3. RCAP North Central Mass Well Testing Program. Fox reported that RCAP would like someone to serve on an advisory committee.

4. Vibralogics Planning Board Site Plan Review. Lynch reported that the Board of Health biosafety regulations are now available online. Vibralogics has not submitted an application.

5. Acquisition of a water source. Town counsel has indicated that establishing water commissioners could help Boxborough to achieve its water supply goals. The town may authorize the Select Board to act as water commissioners, or it may elect them. This could be an article for fall town meeting.

6. Cisco campus redevelopment and protection of water resources. Fox reviewed the stakeholder's submittal to Cisco and the possibility of another stakeholder's meeting.

7. New Board of Health aquifer protection regulations. Lynch summarized new aquifer protection regulations, adopted by the Board of Health, which comply with state regulations. He will check if they are on the website.

8. Monitoring well update. Barbadoro reported that letters to permittees had not been sent yet.

9. Burroughs Road and Flerra Field monitoring wells. Clemence presented photos and logs of recent well installations in town: two monitoring wells installed on Burroughs Road by Prof. Grant Garvin of Tufts University and an irrigation well installed at Flerra Field by the Agricultural Commission. He proposed a letter from the Committee to thank Prof. Garvin. The Committee approved the letter by a roll call vote of 5 to 0 (moved by Fox, seconded by Barbadoro). Clemence to provide well logs and

check the status of a Board of Health permit for the Flerra Field well. The Flerra Field well will be available to the Committee for monitoring.

Cindy Markowitz, Planning Board Chair, joined the meeting at about 9:45 PM, and discussions continued concerning the Cisco campus, a new water source, Vibralogics, and water resource protection.

10. Possible geohydrologist consulting services. Clemence reported on his discussion with Geosphere, a groundwater consulting firm used by Acton and Littleton. They expressed an interest in helping the Committee to monitor wells.

Other business. None.

Meeting Schedule. The Committee scheduled its next meeting for May 25, 2021 at 7:30 PM.

List of documents and other exhibits used at the meeting. Photos and logs of well installations.

Adjourn. The Committee adjourned at 10:00 PM on a roll call vote of 5-0 (moved by Schmitt, seconded by Barbadoro).

Respectfully submitted,
Bryon Clemence, Clerk