



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

BOARD/COMMITTEE: Board of Health

MEETING DATE: 9/08/21

TIME: 7:30PM

PLACE: Town Hall, 29 Middle Rd – Grange Room

Members Present: Marie Cannon (MC), Bryan Lynch (BL), Lori Lotterman (LL)

Members Absent:

Other Attendees: Jim Garreffo (JG), Agent for the Board,
Pam Follette (PF), Agent for the Board,
Carter Terenzini, Interim Town Administrator (by phone),
Susan Diloranzo, Peter Shainan,
Molly Obendorf, engineer Stamski & McNary,
Cynthia LeFave – Vibalogics, Richard Quimby Arranto Bio,
Cindy Markiewicz, Planning Board member/resident,
Jack Geissert, resident, Jim Comolli, resident

Appointments:

7:30 PM – COVID-19 Protocols.

Carter Terenzini attended the meeting to discuss protocols for the town hall and community given the increase in COVID-19 cases and concerns. JG reviewed the recent MA guidance, what other communities are doing and CDC recommendations. JG explained that business owners and the Town could require masks in the buildings; K-12 staff and students are required to wear masks until at least 10/1 by the DESE Commissioner. Board decided to issue an Advisory recommending that residents wear masks when indoors based on the CDC recommendation and the current Middlesex County transmission rate. Board asked JG to poll businesses on their thoughts of a mandate.

7:45 PM – 566 Middle Rd.

Ms. Diloranzo presented her plans for a new house to determine if a deed restriction would be required to finish the basement. JG explained that he had counted 12 rooms/5 bedrooms in the house and that given the septic system was designed for 5 bedrooms a restriction should be required (Title 5 would allow up to 11 rooms in the house). After reviewing the plans, the Board accepted the deed restriction filing as a condition for the approval of the building permit.

8:00 PM – 32 Spencer Rd, unit 24M, Notice of Hearing continued.

JG updated the Board on the site, he has been meeting with the owner weekly to encourage him to continue clearing the unit ahead of the professional cleaner; some progress made.

JG had sent a letter after the 8/11 meeting outlining the Board's conditions and JG reviewed them with him. The Board heard from the owner Mr. Peter Shainian who confirmed he had paid a deposit with one to do the work (the professional cleaner's schedule would allow them to start 9/16); JG confirmed the contractor had been engaged. The Board continued the hearing unit 10/13 at 8PM.

8:15PM 164 Waite Rd- variance request.

Molly Obendorf presented to the Board a design for the replacement of the failed septic system at the abovementioned site. The design can't comply with the Board regulation for the offset of the building sewer given the existing location of the pipe. The Board reviewed the plan and voted to approve the variance to sections 6.4 and 7.2 of the regulations as requested and with the following conditions: the well water is to be tested, and the sanitary connection for the building sewer shall include stainless steel clamps.

Discussions:

Update- 1414 Massachusetts Ave. – Vibalogics

JG updated the Board on his actions: Conducted a review with the Plumbing Inspector of the drains, sinks, and lab waste facilities). JG stressed the importance of DEP approvals (email sent to site contractor and Lincoln Properties), and explained the need for design plans for wastewater disposal (sanitary, non sanitary); draft permit package, and finalized application with plans and processes descriptions. There was a general discussion on the Board's regulations namely the make-up of Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC), and application process. PF explained the role of the IBC and the process the Board with take to review the application for permit; she stated the Board is finalizing the permit application and review process. She answered question from the audience, some in the audience suggested a permitting process and IBC more like Bedford/Watertown and suggested the Board create a webpage to provide the public information on the requirements and process. Representative from Vibalogics and Arranto Bio attended and spoke, Cynthia LeFave stated they would like an application form from the BOH when it is available. Both representatives asked about the Board's groundwater protection regulations with regards to their hazardous waste generator status. BL asked if the water to be used in the manufacturing processes would be treated and how; the backwash from the system may need to discharge to the waste holding tank along with the process wastewater.

1.) COVID-19 Updates:

JG provide the Board with an update: cases have started to increase about midway through July and Boxborough numbers are going up.

2.) CORRESPONDENCE:

REVIEWED

RCAP -North Central Massachusetts Private Well Program Informational Luncheon
Stantec – Permanent Solution Without Conditions – 233 Summer Rd.
FEMA – National Flood Insurance Program
Mass Association for the Chemically Injured, Inc. health risk due to use of chemical cleaning compounds and disinfectants
Water testing results for 1135 Burroughs Rd (2)
Water testing results for 112 Summer Rd

3.) DRINKING WATER REPORTS:

Results/Issues reviewed

Codman Hill Condos - (Mn – ND, TC – A)
Blanchard School - TC – P disinfected – contact Weston & Sampson

4.) SDS / WWTF / Groundwater Discharge Report :

Results/issues reviewed

629 Mass Ave **TN exceeds limit – pump on order**
330 Codman Hill Rd. – **TN exceeds limit**
Harvard Ridge Condominiums - **compliant**
Codman Hill Condominiums – **compliant**
Cisco Systems – Site I – **pump and haul**
Cisco Systems – Site II – **pump and haul**

5.) FOR SIGNATURE: