

BOARD OF HEALTH
Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm
Remote Meeting via Zoom Video

PRESENT

Health Agent: Bruce Wilson, Jr.
Chairperson: Kelly McGovern
Vice Chairperson: Vincent Forte, Jr.
Minutes Clerk: Tina Griffin

Absent:

Member: Patricia Leclair

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. McGovern called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2021 meeting, as submitted.
Ms. McGovern seconded and the motion carried.

COVID POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Mr. Wilson gave an update on the increase of Covid-19 cases. There was a total of 1,109 new Covid-19 cases in Massachusetts today and the total of 2,587 cases announced yesterday was a 3-day total from the weekend and Monday. Cases have been on a steady increase in the State since the 4th of July.

The Town also had a small increase as well and Ms. Martone told Board Members that as of today's date, there are 10 active cases and 2 probable's in Town. These numbers have been staying lower than some neighboring Towns and the residents seem to be working on keeping themselves and family members as safe as possible.

Mr. Wilson told Board members that the Town is not mandating masks at this time. He will continue to monitor the situation and if numbers stay on the lower side, they do not anticipate mandating masks in public places in Town. Businesses can request customers to wear masks at their own discretion if they prefer.

Public Library Director, Bernadette Rivard, was present for tonight's meeting and let Board Members know that they don't mandate mask wearing but do supply masks when people walk in, for those that choose to take one. The staff does wear masks in order to encourage mask wearing from visitors. Ms. Rivard also said that they will follow the same rules that the school requires when the new school year starts back up.

HEALTH AGENT UPDATES

NEW AND PREVIOUS COMPLAINTS

Mr. Wilson discussed new and previous complaints that have come into the Board of Health office since the last meeting, held on July 20, 2021.

BETTERMENT BILLS

Mr. Forte made a motion to pay \$7,000.00 to Dave Brown and Mr. Dos Santos for the septic system work at 2 Deerfield Lane. Ms. McGovern seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Forte made a motion to pay \$9,200.00 to Dave Brown and Ms. Fuentes for the septic system repair at 118 Yvonne Road. Ms. McGovern seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Forte made a motion to pay \$3,750.00 to Colonial Engineering and Ms. Fuentes for the septic system design at 118 Yvonne Road. Ms. McGovern seconded and the motion carried.

PLANS

150 SOUTH MAIN STREET

A septic design plan for 150 South Main Street was reviewed by the Board.

Mr. Forte made a motion to approve the plan with the following local upgrade requests that were reviewed and verified by the Health Agent, Mr. Wilson:

- Allow a septic system to be installed 5' from the basement wall, where 10' is required per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(b) (40 MIL Poly Barrier will also be used)
- Allow a septic system to be installed 7' from the foundation slab, where 10' is required per 310 CMR 15.405(1)(b)

Ms. McGovern seconded and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Forte made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm. The motion was seconded by Ms. McGovern and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina M. Griffin
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NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 AT 7:00 PM