

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2022

Present: Holliston Board of Health (BoH): Josh Mann (*Vice-Chair*)
Jay Leary (*member*)
Peter Liffiton (*member*)

Scott Moles, *Health Director and Agent*
Kristin Abraham, *Health Department Clerk*
Ann Adams, *Health Department Clerk*

Josh Mann, BoH Vice-Chair, opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Scott read the Remote Participation Statement.

Board of Health Roll Call: Josh Mann – present, Jay Leary - present, Peter Liffiton - present

Public Comment: Paul Saulnier, P.E., Civilized Solutions, was asked by Mary Denker, owner 45 Woods Crossing, to evaluate the capacity of the on-site leaching field. Mary wants the septic system to be listed as 5 bedrooms, to be consistent with the house size. Paul explained that the leaching field is adequate for 5 bedrooms without the garbage grinder. The Board discussed this request and determined that removing the garbage grinder to get a 5 bedroom designation would be the best solution. Mary agreed.

Peter motioned to change 45 Woods Crossing to a 5 bedroom septic capacity with a garbage grinder deed restriction, pending the Board approving the garbage grinder deed restriction language at the next meeting. Jay seconded.

Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter -Aye Passed.

Board reorganization: Jay suggested the 3rd position on the Board be called “clerk” instead of “member.” There was some discussion regarding the responsibilities of a clerk position. Peter offered that it could be discussed further at a future meeting.

Jay made a motion to nominate Josh as Chair. Peter seconded.

Roll Call: Josh Mann- Abstain, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter-Aye. Passed.

Josh made a motion to nominate Jay as Vice-Chair. Peter seconded.

Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Abstain, Peter-Aye. Passed.

BoH Meeting Schedule: The Board discussed the meeting schedule as Peter has a conflict with the 3rd Tuesdays of the month. The Board decided to change to the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month.

Josh made a motion to have the Board of Health meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, unless otherwise stated. Peter seconded.

Roll Call: Josh Mann-Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter-Aye. Passed.

The next meeting on June 14th, the 2nd Tuesday in June, will be a short meeting with Jay and Peter in attendance, to review the 45 Woods Crossing garbage grinder deed restriction language.

Lion's Club Carnival Food Tent fee waiver request: The Board discussed the food permit fee waiver request from the Lion's Club for their food tent at the carnival. This is a non-profit event with proceeds benefiting the Town.

Jay made a motion to waive the Lion's Club Carnival food tent Food Permit fee. Peter seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter –Aye. Passed.

COVID-19 update:

- There are 28 active cases of COVID-19 in Town bringing the cumulative total to 2606.
- Holliston is still red (high) risk level by the State's COVID-19 designation.
- Scott said the Holliston Schools have 147 cases, but the daily cases are lowering.
- There are plenty of COVID-19 home test kits from various sources.
- Mission Springs had a party that had a COVID-19 positive case. So far there has only been a single second case from that event. The Health Department arranged to get them additional COVID-19 test kits.
- Jay asked for numbers on the residents fully vaccinated, getting their second booster shot. Scott will try to get that information.
- Scott said many of the new COVID-19 cases are in fully vaccinated individuals.
- Peter asked about the severity of the new COVID-19 cases, and Scott said the symptoms have not been severe. The extra pollen in the air may be keeping the COVID-19 in the air longer.
- Josh asked when the under 5 year old children become eligible for COVID-19 vaccination, will Holliston have a clinic? Josh wants Scott to poll the Town and School to determine the interest in having a Town clinic for under 5 year old children.
- Jay mentioned that the COVID-19 positive folks taking Paxlovid appear to have a recurrence of symptoms.

Mosquitos: Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project (CMMCP) will treat abandoned pool for mosquitos for free (no charge to resident or Town) so they don't become breeding grounds for mosquitos. Residents should notify (phone or email) the CMMCP about any abandoned pool so they can be treated.

Crestview Condominium Pool, 147 Turner Road, has been inspected and permitted for use this year. Due to a lifeguard shortage they will not be open on Mondays.

Beach water testing started yesterday for Lake Winthrop' Stoddard Park and Pleasure Point. The preliminary test results look good. The final results will be posted on the Town website. Lifeguards will start next week at Stoddard Park.

Hazardous Waste Day is July 9th. This program is run by the Select Board's office, since they manage solid waste in our Town.

Landfill Solar Project at the Marshall Street site has their paperwork completed and is proceeding.

Minutes: Josh made a motion to approve the BoH meeting minutes from May 17, 2022.

Jay seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter -Aye Passed.

Bills: The Board discussed the two Amazon bills for office supplies.

Josh made a motion to approve the Amazon bill for office supplies: \$9.99.

Peter seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter -Aye Passed.

**Josh made a motion to approve the Amazon bill for office supplies: \$46.36.
Peter seconded. Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter-Aye Passed.**

Board Comment: Peter was welcomed as the newest member of the Board of Health.

Peter asked who manages the public water health in Town. Jay explained that Sean Reese, Superintendent of the Department of Public Works (DPW) oversees the Water Department and has a background in water quality. The Town Water Analysis Report will be out in the next few months. The Health Director (Scott) reviews and approves private wells for use, and communicates these residential wells to the Water and Building Departments.

Next BoH Meeting is June 14, 2022.

**Josh made a motion to adjourn the BoH meeting at 8:06 PM. Peter seconded.
Roll Call: Josh Mann- Aye, Jay Leary-Aye, Peter -Aye Passed.**

Respectfully:

Ann Adams, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 6-28-22