

Board of Health Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2024

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

Scott Moles, *Health Director/Agent*
Kristin Abraham, *Health Department Clerk*

Jay Leary opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.
Scott Moles read the Remote Participation Statement.
Peter Liffiton noted that he will be acting a clerk for this meeting

Board of Health roll call: Jay Leary – present, Peter Liffiton – present, Josh Mann - present

Public Comment: None

Director's Report

COVID-19 Update: There are 3 active COVID-19 cases and a cumulative total of 3222 cases in Town.

747 Washington Street

Scott is in ongoing discussion with the owner regarding what he has to do to be able to have a restaurant on the property

Holliston Woods- 1830 Washington Street, Septic Repair:

- New system construction was completed on schedule
- Certificate of Completion has been issued. Grass stabilization to be completed in next growing season.
- Eleanor and Michael Doak, residents of Holliston Woods were on the Zoom meeting but could not connect with audio. Sent a chat asking if there were any changes to the system. Scott responded that there were no changes to the approved plans. The system was installed per the approved plans.
- Jay Leary complimented all involved with the excellent execution of the plan to have the system in and operational by Christmas, which it was.

Subdivisions Scott is reviewing for Planning Board:

- Bonney Way consisting of 3 homes
- Jasper Hill Estates consisting of 4 homes
- Scott is getting more data on the application for review

Health Department Clerk

- A temporary clerk, shared with the Board of Health is filling in at the Building Department as the office manager is out for 12 weeks.
- Human Resources posted the position looking for a permanent candidate who will be working in the Health Department 22 hours and 8 hours in the Building Department.

799 Washington Street – Gulf Station: Scott reported nothing has changed regarding the Gulf Station. The town may choose to purchase the property. Travis Ahern, Town Administrator, is asking the community for thoughts on the reuse of the site.

Health Department FY'25 Budget preparations are in process and the budget will be discussed at the next meeting on January 23. Board of Health proposed budget follows FinCom recommendations. Jay Leary noted that there has been a shortfall in state revenue and that budgets are being effected state wide. It is too early to know there will be any impact on state aid to cities and towns. Budget discussion will also review goals for the department for the coming year.

Downtown Sewer study – Scott noted an upcoming Zoom meeting of involved departments and officials in part to determine what further testing may be required by DEP.

Storm Alert - Scott noted that the state has put out a storm alert for tonight's storm due to expected heavy rain and strong winds.

81 Wingate Road – Scott noted that the owner has mobilized to have the crushed system repaired but may have to wait for better weather without snow cover, etc.

Minutes: Jay made a motion to approve the BoH meeting minutes from December 12, 2023. Peter seconded. Roll Call: Jay Leary-Aye, Peter Liffiton-Aye, Josh Mann-Aye. Passed.

Bills: The following bill was discussed and approved:

Salmon VNA nursing contagious disease for November totaling \$134.00

Jay made a motion to approve the United Medical Waste Management invoice: \$134.00.

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

Board Comment: none

Jay made a motion to adjourn the BoH meeting at 7:22 PM. Peter seconded.
Roll Call: Jay Leary-Aye, Peter Liffiton-Aye, Josh Mann-Aye. Passed.

Respectfully:

Peter Liffiton, Board of Health Vice-Chairperson

Approval Date: