

BOH MEETING MINUTES

04/06/2022

Attending
Bridget Sweet, Chair
Jeff Harris, Vice-Chair
Timothy Cochrane Jr., Member

In attendance or via remote: Cathleen Liberty, Director of Public Health; Bridget Sweet, Chair; Jeff Harris, Vice-Chair; Member Timothy Cochrane Jr.; Ginny McNeil, Health Inspector; Alicia Deptula, Public Health Nurse; Steve Sherlock recording and residents via remote; Alan Earls, David Volkin, Denise DePedro, Greg Manis, Greg Leach and septic designer Greg Bunavicz.

Meeting called to order 5:00 pm

❖ Reading and acceptance of March 2, 2022 minutes.

PUBLIC HEARING

New Business

12 Edmunds Ave Title 5

Greg Bunavicz spoke on behalf of the owner's property stating that they are working on a septic upgrade for this location and that there is an existing septic tank and pit as well as a reserve area in the front yard showing on existing septic plans from 1992 and that they are trying to utilize the existing reserve area by doing a perc test and putting in the upgraded leaching area there. They noticed there was an existing well on the neighbor's property at 10 Edmunds within 100' of the reserve area that is currently being used as an irrigation well which the homeowner may also want to make as a potable water well in the future, as his well was set up for this when they originally drilled it. Director Liberty stated that she did speak with the Health Department's consultant, Wade Saucier, and that Wade stated that it is an irrigation well and that the well is within its setbacks. The Board recommends and would require that in concurrence with the setbacks as an irrigation well and if this were to become a potable drinking water well this would be revisited at a future date and noted that additional setbacks may be required for drinking water as well as water sampling on a regular basis.

834 West Central St.

Director Liberty updated the board stating that an inspection was conducted and an order letter was issued January 12, 2022 to the owners. A re-inspection was conducted on March 6, 2022 and found that none of the issues were corrected from the order letter. Owner Denise DePedro reached out to Director Liberty stating that they are being proactive in reaching out to excavating companies as well as obtaining proposal costs to take the building down, depending on what the owner receives will decide how they move forward. Until then, they will secure the building and put placards and no trespassing signs up as well as

maintain the property as best they can. The owner stated at the meeting that they are trying to currently sell the property.

The Board is looking for a time frame as to when the owners will resolve the issues on the order letter. The Board has requested that the owner contact the health department the week of April 11, 2022 with a time frame and plan for this property.

194 Wachusett St.

Director Liberty updated the board in regards to the issue that the owner built a coop that is not in compliance with the setbacks and is on another property. A permit was not pulled to build the structure. An order was sent on March 9, 2022 to remove the structure or to make the structure in compliance with setbacks. The owner has not responded to either the building commissioner or the health director's letters. The Board will issue an order letter to remove or move the structure to be in compliance with the Keeper of Animals regulations. The owner needs to respond within 2 weeks from April 6, 2022, being a date of April 20, 2022. Motion to remove or move structure within setbacks. Motioned by Vice-Chair Jeff Harris, seconded by Member Timothy Cochrane, Jr.

71A & B North Park St.

Director Liberty updated the board stating that they are all set for both sides for estimates for removal. Director Liberty is asking the board to require a timeline from the owners. The board has requested that an update from both Attorneys to be provided to the health department by May 4, 2022.

Metacomet Shared Service Grant Regional Inspector's Report

Director Liberty updated the board with an inspector's report for Franklin the month of March 2022.

Public Health Nurse Update

Public Health Nurse Alicia Deptula updated the board with a public health report for the month of March 2022.

Metacomet Shared Service Grant Epidemiologist

Director Liberty updated the board with an epidemiologist report for the month of March 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

Notice of Arial Laval Control which is posted on our town website under the health department link.

4) CITIZENS COMMENTARY

5) ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Jeff Harris motions to adjourn, seconded by Member Timothy Cochrane Jr. Roll call vote to adjourn meeting at 5:48pm.