

BOARD OF Health MEETING MINUTES

April 29, 2021
Town Hall 1 Main St., Upton, MA 01568

- 1 The remote meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m., by Chairman, Al Holman. Also attending remotely
2 were; member, Richard Desjardins; member, Ted Briggs; and Asst. Public Health Supervisor, Diane Tiernan;
- 3 Al read the following: *Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the*
4 *Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order concerning imposition on strict*
5 *limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, meetings in the Town of Upton will be conducted*
6 *via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. We will strive to provide access to such meetings via a link*
7 *to call in, or other similar option. In the event we are unable to accommodate the same, despite best efforts, we will*
8 *post recorded sessions of the meeting as soon as possible following the same.*
- 9 Agenda was approved.
- 10 Minutes to the previous meeting were reviewed.
- 11 **Motion one** - Richard made a motion to approve of the minutes to the previous meeting held on 3/19/21
12 and Ted seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.
- 13 Diane discussed the present Covid-19 situation. Total number of cases to date in Upton is 453, 28 of which
14 are currently active. There seems to be a spike in cases this week.
- 15 There are covid-19 vaccine clinics being held every Saturday at Nipmuc High School which has been well
16 attended. Uxbridge clinics will be receiving more vaccine in the upcoming weeks, they are desperate for more
17 volunteers.
- 18 Laurie Woodin and Chris Lazar were present virtually to discuss the mosquito control flyer they wish to
19 advertise in various locations. Laurie stated there were very few changes from last year's flyer. Board
20 reviewed the flyer virtually. The Selectmen have agreed to fund an insert in the local paper, and copies will be
21 available in the town hall and library.
- 22 **Motion two** - Richard Desjardins made a motion to approve of the flyer and Ted seconded the motion. Al
23 made the motion unanimous. Flyer was approved.
- 24 John Frederico and Bob Poxon of Guerriere and Halnon Engineering were present virtually. John and Bob
25 were on the meeting tonight to review a septic repair design for 126 Elm Street, Dave Duffy. The design
26 shows the new system being located 45.9' to a bordering wetland. Bob stated the design does not require
27 DEP approval, merely a local upgrade approval from the BOH.
- 28 Chris Scott who was also attending virtually, asked why they couldn't use an alternative system to get further
29 away from the wetlands. John stated they tried using an alternative system but it just wasn't feasible for the
30 lot. They have done the very best they could and have made sure they are not less than 100' from any
31 neighboring wells.
- 32 **Motion three** – Ted made a motion to approve of the septic design for 126 Elm Street, pending
33 Conservation Commission approval. Richard seconded the motion and Al made the motion unanimous.
- 34 Septic designs were reviewed for Claflin Farm Road, Lot #'s 1, 8, 9, 13, and 11. Designs were previously
35 reviewed and approved by Agent, Paul McKeon.

36 **Motion four** - Ted made a motion to approve of the septic designs for Claflin Farm Road, Lot #'s 1, 8, 9, 13,
37 and 11. Richard seconded the motion and Al made the motion unanimous. Plans were approved.

38 Food applications were reviewed for Big T's Jerky House of Sterling, MA, Ultimate Grill of Boylston, MA
39 and Brenda Capuzziello of Upton.

40 **Motion five** - Richard made a motion to approve of the food applications for above and Ted seconded the
41 motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Permits were approved.

42 Diane stated she has received requests for rabies vaccine exemptions and she has sent them over to
43 Veterinarian Rosario Delgado for approval. They will be on the agenda for our next meeting.

44 An application for an installers permit was reviewed for Chris Lanoue of ADC Septic.

45 **Motion six** - Richard made a motion to approve of the installers application for Chris Lanoue and Ted
46 seconded the motion. Al made the motion unanimous. Permit was approved.

47 An application for an animal permit was reviewed for 4 Westboro Road – Kim Lueders. Board questioned if
48 there was enough land on her property for the amount of horses she has. Diane stated she believed there was
49 and would confirm before she issued the permit.

50 Diane stated the Covid clinics were changing the software they are using and each vaccinator will now be
51 required to have their own ipad/tablet at their table. Diane stated that she will have to purchase
52 approximately 20 ipads/tablets for the clinics. She will be able to use FEMA money to pay for them
53 however. Board agreed to make the purchase.

54 **Motion seven** – Ted made a motion to adjourn and Richard seconded the motion. Al made the motion
55 unanimous.

56 4:38 p.m. Meeting was adjourned.

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58 Respectfully Submitted,

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60 Diane Tiernan

61 Asst. Public Health Supervisor