

# BOARD OF Health MEETING MINUTES

BOH Meeting Minutes  
January 20, 2022

The virtual meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m., by Chairman Ted Briggs. Also in attendance were; member, Al Holman; member, Richard Desjardins; and asst. public health supervisor, Diane Tiernan.

Agenda was reviewed and approved.

Minutes to the previous meeting were reviewed and accepted with changes.

Vouchers were reviewed and signed.

Chris Scott and Marcella Stasa of Upton's Mosquito Control Bd joined virtually

Board discussed the MA mosquito spraying "opt out proposal" presented by the Upton Mosquito Control Bd. Ted and Richard stated they are ok with the proposal, but Al stated he would like more time to read through the document. Board agreed to table the document until the next meeting. Chris and Marcella stated it would be ok to wait for the next meeting, however they would like to present it to the Selectmen soon.

12:40 p.m., Chris and Marcella left the meeting.

A septic design was reviewed for 4 Stearns Road - Click. The plan was previously approved by Agent, Paul McKeon, pending the addition of a vent on the design.

**Motion one** – Richard made a motion to approve of the plans upon the amendment, Al seconded the motion and Ted made the motion unanimous. Plans were approved pending the addition of a vent.

Food permits were reviewed for Rushford and Sons – Grove Street and Supa Dupa food truck who will be serving at Rushford and Sons. Diane stated the permit for Rushford and sons is only for prepacked items. There will be no food prep on premises aside from the vending trucks. Supa Dupa truck has been inspected by our food inspector.

**Motion two** – Al made a motion to approve of the above food permits and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Permits were approved.

Installers permits were reviewed for; Brandon McCurley of JC Parmenter – Hopkinton, Dan Grant of Grants Septic Techs – Northbridge, Colin Mayo of C.Mayo Excavating – Ashland, and Chris Lanoue of ADC Septic – Blackstone.

**Motion three** – Al made a motion to approve of the above permits and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Permits were approved.

Garbage and Offal permits were reviewed for; EL Harvey and Sons – Westboro, ADC Septic – Blackstone and Grants Septic Techs – Northbridge.

**Motion four** - Al made a motion to approve of the above permits and Richard seconded the motion. Ted made the motion unanimous. Permits were approved.

12:42 p.m., Mark Allen of Allen Engineering joined the meeting to discuss septic designs for Cobblers Creek – North Street. Mark stated he would like to respond to all the notes that were made following the review of the septic design by Dave Boyer of DEP. Mark stated this proposal for the project is the exact same septic operation as is being used at Rockwood Meadows with no problems. Mark went on to address each question/comment and will also submit his responses in writing to the Bd. He stated that he will make adjustments to the plans where needed to satisfy the recommendations. He also stated he would send a copy of the homeowners association agreement to the Board for our files. Board thanked Mark and will review the plans as they are submitted.

12:54 p.m. Mark left the meeting.

Diane stated she was recently notified of a substantial increase in the cost to produce the Upton trash bags. She will research other alternatives, but there is a storage problem with any other vendor. The current vendor has allowed us to store the bags at their facility and they deliver them to us as needed. Board stated we may need to find an alternative storage area.

Boar reviewed the annual report for the BOH.

**Motion five** – Richard made a motion to accept the annual report as written, Al seconded the motion and Ted made the motion unanimous. Report was approved.

Diane stated the BOH will be received approximately 350 at home Covid test kits for use by town staff and residents. These kits were purchased with grants from the DPH.

**Motion six** – Ted made a motion to adjourn and Al seconded the motion. Richard made the motion unanimous. 1:07 p.m., meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Tiernan,  
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Upton Board of Health