

BOARD OF HEALTH
One Liberty Lane
Norfolk, MA 02056

Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 Town Hall Meeting Room G-07

Board of Health Members Attending

Chairman:	Tom Gilbert
Clerk:	Frances Sullivan
Member:	Jeff Kane (Absent)
Admin. Asst:	Betsy Fijol
Others:	Wade Saucier/Health Agent, Donald Murphy (16 Lawrence St) and David Mastro (26 Lawrence St)

Tom Gilbert called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Hearings

None

New Business

Abbyville/17 Lawrence Street 40B project & potential impacts to neighboring wells

Mr. Gilbert explained that the Board is in receipt of an email from Donald Murphy in which he expressed concern that the large changes in grade that are proposed would require blasting, and that blasting could open up veins in the underlying bedrock that might allow pollutants from a solid waste site on the property to contaminate neighboring wells.

After additional discussion about the project, Mr. Gilbert asked Mr. Murphy and Mr. Mastro asked why they thought the proposed earth removal would require blasting.

Mr. Mastro said the area has a lot of ledge, and the developer is proposing to move 1.6 million cubic yards of material, which will disrupt the natural water table. He said the town should ask the developer to float a cash bond.

Mr. Saucier said he had checked with the engineer for the project who informed him that they are not expecting to do any blasting.

Mr. Murphy asked if any of the capped waste site would be altered. Mr. Saucier replied that the waste site is restricted and it cannot be touched.

Mr. Gilbert said the cap over the contaminated area should prevent rain water from percolating through the waste pile and leaching into the groundwater. Mr. Saucier added that the Activity Use Limitation Summary for the project indicated that the monitoring wells near the waste site tested clean.

Mr. Murphy asked to be notified if blasting is to occur. Mr. Saucier said that the Fire Department over sees blasting and recommended calling them. The Board will contact the Fire Chief and ask to be notified if any blasting will occur at the Abbyville site.

Medical Reserve Corps

Fran Sullivan said that there will be an MRC Kickoff meeting on October 23rd. Fran also said that the Board of Health is sponsoring a flu clinic at the Senior Center on October 12th in conjunction with Rite Aid and the Walpole Area VNA. The flu clinic may be used as an MRC training exercise.

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Fran Sullivan moved to accept the 7/18/17 meeting minutes as amended. Tom Gilbert seconded the motion. The motion carried, 3-0.

Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for November 7, 2017, but subsequently postponed to 12/12/17.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Frances Sullivan/Clerk