

Board of Health
Meeting Minutes

Board Members

Margie LaFleur, Chairperson; Phil Durno, Member; Virginia Malouin, Member

Staff

Kalene Gendron, Health Agent;

Attendees

See attached attendance sheet

Mrs. LaFleur opened the meeting at 6:00 PM and announced the meeting is being televised by Pepperell Community Media.

6/4/2019 - Minutes

1. **Working Session**

2. **Acceptance of Minutes**

a. **5/21/19**

Mr. Pillsbury motions to accept minutes from 5/21/19. Mr. Durno abstains. All in favor.

3. **6:05PM - Public Hearing - 36 Oak Hill Road**

Mr. Durno motions to close regular meeting and begin public hearing, Mr. Pillsbury seconds.

Mrs. LaFleur explains the purpose of the public hearing as well as acknowledges 36 Oak Hill as noted on agenda is the residence of the person owning the privy, the privy that is being discussed is physically located at 37 Blood Street, they are abutting properties.

Mr. Tony Beattie is present to explain that the privy was built on his farm with the intention of humor, sharing fond memories of privies from when he was growing up on farm as well as for the character it brings. There was originally a privy on the farm attached to the barn and he simply wanted to bring back the historical character of the farm. Admittedly he could have rented a porta-potty but given the fact he had the resources to build a privy he did that instead. He was surprised there was a complaint, the waste is not going into the ground, the waste goes into a pail and gets disposed of through the toilet inside the residence. Mr. Beattie understands if the Board would like for him to stop use of the privy and use it as a tool shed or something.

Mrs. LaFleur read the official comments from the Health Agent on 5/15/19. There are no public comments. Some discussion between Mr. Beattie and the Board continues in regards to privies.

Mr. Durno motions to close public hearing. Mr. Pillsbury seconds. All in favor. Mr. Durno motions to go back into regular meeting. Mr. Pillsbury seconds. All in favor.

Mr. Durno motions to sustain the order issued on 5/15/19. Mr. Pillsbury seconds. All in favor.

4. **Permits / License**

- a. **126 Townsend Street - Local Approval Needed - The GEOMAT leaching system is being utilized to reduce the groundwater offset from 4 feet to 2 feet as allowable through the remedial use approval**

Ms. Gendron spends some time reviewing the plans with the Board and explaining the new type of system and the concept. She recommends that the Board approve the request. Mr. Pillsbury motions to approve. Mr. Durno seconds. All in favor.

- b. **126 Townsend Street - Upgrade Septic System**

Mr. Pillsbury motions to approve the permit for system upgrade. Mr. Durno seconds. All in favor.

- c. **14 Joan Street - Upgrade Septic System**

Mr. Durno motions to approve the permit for system upgrade. Mr. Pillsbury seconds. All in favor.

5. **Old Business**

6. **New Business**

7. **Walk-Ins**

8. **Correspondence**

9. **Health Agent Comments**

Ms. Gendron attended a closed pod training. She briefly explains the concept behind this type of training. The Board thanks her for her continued efforts to keep them well informed.

10. **Matters That May Be Raised That the Chair Didn't Reasonably Anticipate**

11. **Bill Warrant**

- a. **MAHB - Membership Dues**

Mr. Durno motions to approve the bill warrant for \$150. Mr. Pillsbury seconds. All in favor.

12. **Future Meeting**

- a. **6/18/19**

Mr. Durno motions to adjourn meeting. Mr. Pillsbury seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:44PM.

Respectfully submitted by Brynn Montesanti, Administrative Assistant to Board of Health.