

Scituate Board of Health Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 22, 2021
Zoom
6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Whyte, BOH Member
Wendy Oleksiak, BOH Member
Karen Conley, BOH Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrew Scheele Director of Public Health
Ms. Joan Schmid, Assistant Director

6:00 MEETING CALLED TO ORDER/ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Mr. Whyte called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Acceptance of the Agenda - A motion was made by Mr. Whyte and seconded by Ms. Conley with all in favor of accepting the agenda and opening the meeting.

Mr. Whyte asked for a motion giving each group fifteen minutes to discuss their topic.

Ms. Oleksiak made a motion fifteen minutes for each scheduled item on today's agenda, second by Ms. Conley all in favor

SCHEDULED ITEMS

Discuss: Health impacts of wind turbine – Ellen Casper, David Dardi, Mark McKeever, Valerie Forte and Jerry Kelly all spoke on their concerns on health issues, all asked that the Board of Health shut down the wind turbine for good. Mr. Whyte explained that at this time he would not agree to just shut down wind turbine tonight. He explained that the Board of Health was fairly new and will go back to the information that is kept in Board of Health records and discuss, with the members.

Mr. Whyte will put these homeowners on agenda at a later date.

Discuss: Private well owners- Becky Malamut, Jerry Kelly and Samantha Woods from the North South River Shed Association. Discussed their concerns that private well owners should have to go by same water restriction as the homeowners on private water, and would like to change the by-law to regulate water use.

Discuss: Trash and recycling hauling regulation – Claire Galkowski, Jean Shidneck, Kevin Cafferty DPW Director, and Todd Koep, Mass DEP discuss the benefits of having Trash haulers that collect trash in town should have to recycle just the same as homeowners going to landfill. Doug invited them back when they gather more information.

NEW BUSINESS

Director's Report

Mr. Scheele gave his Directors report

- 1) 7 new septic plans, 4 plans waiting for Conservation approval, 8 plans waiting for Engineer revisions, 20 As-Builts, 17 systems in failure
- 2) We are now in Phase 4 Step 1 for reopening, Venues can now have 150 people outside and 100 people inside, you can dance at weddings, and 12% of people at ball parks. Quarantine advisory now in the state of Massachusetts.

- 3) A second clinic was held for over 75 on March 18. The state has now sent more first vaccines to the Town of Scituate. The link was posted on line today and all appointments have been taken. State allocated Covid Vaccine has also been sent for The Scituate Housing Authority.

OLD BUSINESS

OTHER BUSINESS

Administrative Invoice Approvals

The Board reviewed and approved the Administrative invoices.
The Board reviewed and excepted March 8th Meeting Minutes

Adjournment: 7:30