

BOARD OF HEALTH May 4, 2021

The Board of Health held a virtual meeting and was conducted via remote participation. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were, Elizabeth Sabounjian, Dr. Dan King and Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting is on May 18, 2021.

Public hearings

588 Woburn Street -application for increase in number of chickens and ducks

The applicant Elizabeth Pimental is applying for 12 chickens. This residence has had an animal permit before, but not in many years. During his inspection the animal control inspector found that the coop is not ready yet to house chickens. Ms. Pimental agreed. Dr. King motioned to continue the hearing to the next meeting, Ms. Sabounjian, seconded, voted 2-0.

Department Business

Olin update

EPA is currently considering dates for the community public meeting in the upcoming months to present the ROD, updates on DPH and the childhood cancer study, and upcoming activities at the Site. The meeting will likely be in June when indoor COVID restrictions are lessened.

Coronavirus update

The Director updated the Board on the current situation in Town. Currently, there are 58 active positives and over 200 in quarantine. We are seeing youth sports, club sports and organizations as having the most cases. Residents are encouraged to keep trying vaxfinder.mass.gov for vaccine as there is great availability. Gathering limits are changing on May 29th and most restrictions are slated to be lifted by August.

New Business

887 Main Street

The Director emailed correspondence to the Board regarding the application and it's status for the solid waste transfer station proposed at the above referenced site. There was technical review fee attached to the correspondence. The applicant, Anthony Martignetti is responsible for providing the payment for the Board of Health to contract with a consultant for technical review of the project. The Board has selected Geo Insights. If the project is approved by the DEP, the Director expects the site assignment hearings to begin in the Fall in front of the Board.

Dr. King motioned to adjourn at 6:05 p.m., voted 2-0.

Recording:
Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health