

Board of Health
Town of New Marlborough
Meeting Minutes for October 12, 2021

Meeting was called to order in person at Town Hall at 6:03 PM with Board members Larry Davis III and Jordan Chretien and agent Scott McFarland present. Jack Bellinger was absent.

Minutes of June 8, 2021, July 13, 2021 and September 14, 2021 meetings were reviewed and approved.

A monthly Covid and public health nursing update for New Marlborough and Southern Berkshire County was provided by the Southern Berkshire Public Health Collaborative in an email from Amy Hardt and is attached to these minutes.

The Berkshire Overdose Addiction Prevention Collaborative (BOAPC) is requesting that local BOHs vote on and approve a qualified organization to operate a Syringe Services Program in New Marlborough. BOAPC is looking to be that organization, so they have the ability to operate their mobile health unit for syringe exchange as well as comprehensive harm reduction services. Additional details were provided by BOAPC for this meeting. A motion was made by Larry Davis, III to “Allow a qualified and appropriate organization to operate a harm reduction and syringe services program in the Town of New Marlborough”. The motion was seconded and approved by vote of the board. BOAPC will provide more information as they start to provide services to the town.

The following perc tests were completed since the previous meeting:

- Windmere Rd Map 412 Lot 35, (New construction)
- 170 Adsit-Crosby Rd (Upgrade)
- 6 Amory Lane Map 414 Lot 70 (New Construction)

The Following Title 5 inspections were completed:

- 452 Adsit-Crosby Rd (Pass, new Dist. Box, divert softener)
- 162 Hadsell St (Fail)
- 79 Clayton-Mill River Rd (Conditional Pass, new septic tank and dist. Box)

The following well permits were issued

- 34 Downs Road, Elkin (Issued with ConComm Emergency Certification)
- 167 Hartsville-Mill River Rd, Lenherr
- Hartsville-New Marlborough Rd (Feldman/Miller; no 911 number or new Assessors Map/Lot ID issued yet)

No new septic designs were received. An permit for 30 Mill River-Gt Barrington Rd septic was received through permit eyes, but we are awaiting a set of full size drawings.

A meeting with DEP PFAS well sampling program is scheduled for October 26, 2021 at noon via Zoom. DEP want to confirm general areas in town where useful testing could occur and mail residents in selected areas information on how to sign up for the sampling program.

Nuisance letters for 1252, 1254 and 1272 Canaan-Southfield Road were finalized and signed by Scott and Larry for mailing certified/return receipt to the owner, requiring demolition of collapsing dwellings.

Scott was contacted by Peter Chapin of the Mill River Store with questions regarding a kitchen renovation plan, requesting a meeting with his architect. Scott will enlist the assistance of food experts from the Alliance or SBPHC and request Peter to develop a plan in compliance with the Food Code, commensurate with the level of food preparation he is proposing.

Motion to adjourn was seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott McFarland, Agent.