

Board of Health
Town of New Marlborough
Meeting Minutes for April 13, 2021

Meeting was called to order by conference call at 6:05 PM with Board members Larry Davis III, Jordan Chretien, and agent Scott McFarland present.

The March 9, 2021 Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as submitted. Prior meeting minutes from December 16, 2020 and January 12, 2021 were also reviewed and approved as corrected.

Covid-19 related updates: Nationally and statewide, a hold was placed on use the Johnson & Johnson vaccine until further notice due to adverse reactions in 6 or so women. Approximately 7 million people had been vaccinated with J&J, so the risk is relatively low, but FDA will be continuing to evaluate. The best source for general and local updates on Covid-19 and vaccination availability status is getvaccinatedberkshires.org. The Collaborative running the three county vaccination sites may switch the registration software from the current PrepMod to a new system that is being used at the other large state vaccination sites. Town hall will reopen for Monday April 19 and Scott and Mari put together some basic procedures as specified in the state reopening guidelines for office space. These will consist of: Requiring of mask wearing in town hall (signs to be posted); a Sign-in/sign-out station near the entrance to document who has been in the building, and a self-attestation by visitors and employees that they do not currently have Covid, or any signs or symptoms of Covid. Occupancy was set at 10 individuals in the downstairs space, based on square footage. Town meeting is also coming up in the end of May and is expected to be run under the same guidelines as last year.

Septic designs submitted for approval include:

- 191 Mill River-Gt Barrington Rd, Sisson, Upgrade for 3-bedroom
- 155 Canaan Valley Rd, Hoberman, upgrade for 6-bedroom. 10/8/2002 Design by White Engineering that has not yet been constructed. Design was reviewed by White and agreed still was viable. Scott MacKenzie to construct this year.
- 18 New Marlborough Branch Rd, Barbeau, upgrade 6-bedroom. Design calls for Eljen GFS Sand Filter as passive advanced treatment to reduce footprint and groundwater separation for SAS.
- 1114 Foley Hill Rd, Brown, Upgrade for 4-bedroom. Barn/studio outbuilding will have its own tank discharging to the one SAS.
- Discuss repairs needed for 18 New Marlborough-Sandisfield Center Rd, Pollock, for system SAS that has some sludge plugging. SAS designed as an upgrade mounded above groundwater; Scott will work with Mount Everett to permit repair consisting of tank replacement and SAS modifications based on existing design.

The following perc tests were completed:

- Hadsell Street, Map 409 Lot 3 (New construction)
- 232 Deerwood Drive (Upgrade, 4-bedroom)
- 143 Cagney Hill (Upgrade, bedrooms to be confirmed)
- 191 Mill River-Gt Barrington Rd (upgrade 3-bedroom)
- 772 Norfolk Rd (Repair for warehouse facility, Berkshire Springs)
- Brewer Hill Rd, Map 409 Lot 44 (new construction)
- Amory Lane, Map 414 Lot 73 (new construction)

The Following Title 5 inspections were completed:

- 10-14 Mill River-Gt Barrington Rd (Mill River Store; Pass, add inlet and outlet risers to first tank)
- 1574 Hartsville-New Marlborough Rd (Pass, add filter)

The following well permits were issued:

- 416 Steepletop Road, Existing house coming off shared well
- 1015 Sisson Hill Rd, Additional well serving pool and pool house

Followup housing inspection at 1574 Hartsville-New Marlborough Rd completed on March 30th. All 10 of the 10-day items were addressed and checked off except for rodent/exterminator report which was done on April 1, 2021 and emailed to the BOH. Jolanta was in the process of moving out and most of her belongings were gone from the apartment. Scott to complete the 30-day inspection items on 4/20/21.

Scott met with the town Accountant for several hours to review and correct what accounts BOH funds were attributed to as balances in several of the accounts did not make sense. Scott will review the revised account status once the corrections are completed.

Fucillo on Konkapot Rd is trying to get the neighboring property (Bassetts) to remove old cars and a bus and has been calling to have the BOH enforce the removal. There is a town by-law specifically regarding old vehicles that provides steps she can pursue to bring the matter to the Selectboard and/or Police as the enforcing agent regarding this matter. Both Larry and Scott have communicated this to her.

New Bd of Health permit fees were discussed briefly and Scott hopes to bring them to the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn was seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott McFarland, Agent.