

**TOWN OF MILLIS
BOARD OF HEALTH**

Minutes of Meeting

February 5, 2024 – Approved

**A meeting of the Board of Health was held on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 6:00 PM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84073381589>**

Present were:

- John McVeigh-Public Health Director
- Matthew Fuller-Board Member
- Donna Scotland-Chair
- JaiKaur LeBlanc-Board Member
- Kathleen Lannon-Town Resident
- Patricia Burke-Town Resident
- Tyler Bernier-Kleinfelder
- Tony Ma –GCG Associates, Inc.
- Jim McKay – DPW Director
- Lisa Harding ESQ.–Representing 370 Orchard St
- Bob Vey–Norfolk Engineering

Chair Scotland moved, and Member Fuller seconded, and it was unanimously voted to open the Millis Board of Health meeting of February 5, 2024 at 6:06 PM.

Administrative Business:

- a. The monthly Public Health Nurse report.
- b. The January 8, 2024, and January 16, 2024 meeting minutes were approved.

6:06 PM– Discussion COVID/Flu update:

Director McVeigh reviewed the Interim Public Health Nurse McManus report with the Board. Flu activity has risen and there has been an increase in COVID-19 cases. Case reports for the month of January 2024 indicate 13 cases of Influenza, 25 cases of COVID-19 and 2 reported cases of Lyme disease. Daily monitoring of communicable diseases is conducted with investigations carried out as needed.

Agenda:

6:12 PM – EHIR Well #3 DPW

Tyler Bernier from Kleinfelder has asked the BOH for a variance on the slope for the basin on the EHIR on Well #3. On a motion made by Chair Scotland seconded by member Fuller, it was unanimously voted to grant the variance requested from Section XII.4, of the Millis Board of Health “Public and Environmental Health Review Regulations” to allow a flatbottom for the proposed infiltration basins and three to one slope in the infiltration basin. The proposed variance allows for the broadest possible distribution of runoff over the basin bottom for more effective infiltration. The reduction from 4 to 1 to 3 to 1 slopes for the infiltration basin would minimize removal of existing vegetation.

It was also noted that the DPW Well # 3 has a “Title V exemption to the tight tank regulations (new construction) applicable only to public water treatment plants”.

6:29 PM – 370 Orchard St – LUA Eljen

Bob Vey of Norfolk Engineering is looking to have an Eljen GSF alternative system installed at 370 Orchard Street, which is approved by State-DEP. The Eljen approval allows for a 2-foot to groundwater variance and requires a deed restriction. A motion was made by Member Fuller to approve the local upgrade for 370 Orchard St according to 310 CMR. 15.284 to allow the soil absorption system to be installed, Chair Scotland seconded the motion and was approved unanimously.

6:42 PM – 121 Norfolk Road – Wireless Cell Tower Station

BOH voted to submit a statement to the Chair of the Planning Board Richard Nichols regarding the cell tower at 121 Norfolk Road. A motion was made by Member Fuller, Seconded by Chair Scotland and was approved unanimously. One member of the BOH will be attending the Planning Board meeting.

Discussions**7:21 PM – Approval of Meeting Minutes**

BOH reviewed the January 8, 2024, and January 16, 2024 meeting minutes and approved with noted corrections.

A motion was made by Chair Scotland, seconded by Member LeBlanc, and it was unanimously voted to close the Board of Health meeting of February 5th 2023 at 8:13 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for March 4th 2024 at 6:00 PM via Zoom.

Documents and Submittals of Meeting:

Meeting agenda notice was posted on January 29th 2024

Director's Report February 5th 2024

Nurses Report February 5th 2024