

**TOWN OF MILLIS
BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes of Meeting
October 16, 2023 – Approved**

A meeting of the Board of Health was held on Monday, October 16th, 2023 6:00 PM
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85476890457>

Present were:

- John McVeigh, Public Health Director
- Matthew Fuller, Board Member
- Donna Scotland, Chair
- JaiKaur LeBlanc, Board Member
- Sarah Ward, Public Health Nurse
- Paul Desimone, Colonial Engineering

Chair Scotland moved, and Member Fuller seconded, and it was unanimously voted to open the Millis Board of Health meeting of October 16, 2023 at 6:03 PM.

Administrative Business:

- a. The monthly Public Health Nurse report.
- b. The meeting minutes for September 11th, 2023 were approved with noted corrections.

6:03 PM– Discussion COVID/Flu update:

Director McVeigh reviewed the Public Health Nurse's Ward regarding health concerns in the town. Tick-related disease cases were down to 3 for the month of September and COVID-19 cases are picking up at 18. COVID-19 cases have been trending up in the last several weeks.

Fall Flu clinics have been held for the COA (high dose), the Millis Public School teachers, and Town Hall employees. The Town-wide clinic will be held on October 21st, 2023. Narcan kits have been put together and are available for residents to obtain.

Agenda:

6:35 PM – 375 Orchard Street – Septic Variance

Paul Desimone of Colonial Engineering appeared in front of the Board of Health on a continuation from the September 11th, 2023 meeting regarding the septic system upgrade at 375 Orchard St. The Board of Health voted unanimously denying the request for a variance of the letter of October 5th, 2023, from Colonial Engineering. Therefore, a tight tank will need to be installed at 375 Orchard St. location.

7:25 PM – Groundwater Foundation

The Board of Health (BOH) reviewed other towns in Massachusetts that have a Groundwater regulation and how it is enforced. The BOH would like to invite Dan Merriken (Legacy Engineering) and GCG Engineering (Town Consultant) to attend the next meeting concerning the pros and cons of implementing such a regulation.

7:45 PM – Discussions

BOH went over the September 11th, 2023 meeting minutes and made corrections.

A motion was made by Member LeBlanc, seconded by Member LeBlanc, and it was unanimously voted to close the Board of Health meeting of September 11th, 2023 at 7:54 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for October 17th, 2023 at 6:00 PM via Zoom.

Documents and Submittals of Meeting:

Meeting agenda notice was posted on October 11th, 2023

Director's Report October 16th, 2023

Public Health Nurse Report October 16th, 2023