

**TOWN OF MILLIS
BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes of Meeting
November 15th 2021 – Draft**

A meeting of the Board of Health was held on November 15th 2021 via Zoom online meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86330141627> Present were:

- * John McVeigh, Public Health Director
- * JaiKaur LeBlanc, Chair
- * Donna Scotland, Board Member (Absent)
- * Matt Fuller, PHD Board Member
- * Jim McKay, Director DPW

Chair LeBlanc moved and Member Fuller seconded and it was unanimously voted to open the Millis Board of Health meeting of November 15th at 6:08 PM.

Administrative Business:

- a. The monthly report of the Public Health Nurse
- b. The meeting minutes for : July 13th 2021 Approved

6:09 PM Discussion COVID update:

Director McVeigh updated the Board on CoVid concerning the Town of Millis Massachusetts cases are decreasing and more and more people are becoming vaccinated. Discussion around recommended holiday CoVid safety protocols. Noted were the Mobile CoVid clinic at Clyde-Brown School and the upcoming Town-wide Flu vaccination on November 20th 2021.

6:25 PM Beaver device discussion:

Discussion concerning Farm St extension , Richardson Pond and Pleasant St with the DPW Director Jim McKay .The DPW Director noted that they would hold off on trapping for now due to no eminent flooding events and cost to trap. The Board and Director of Public Health noted that it seems the areas in question are stable and that large rain events seem to be the main concern at this point and would be watched. There continues to be activity around the beaver devices but there is still appreciable flow.

6:45 PM BOH Fee Amendment Hearing:

The hearing was open at 6:45 PM: Board discussion around amended fees which including new fees(no public attended the hearing). The fees followed CPI increase except where noted by The Board on redlined items. A copy of the fees and approved document was available on the shared drive for Board members to examine. A final copy will be made available for the office and filed with the Clerk's Office and placed in the BOH regulations manual. The Public hearing was closed by the Board at 7:24 PM.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc and seconded by Member Fuller, it was unanimously voted to accept the amended under MGL. Ch 111 Sec 31 the fee structure which will become effective July 2022 (FY23) and to review fees every two (2) years.

7:30 PM Fall ATM Articles:

Discussion concerning the voted down Article 8 amending the Stormwater regulations with the added 2ft to groundwater requirement. It was presented by the BOH Director at the ATM the advantages of the Article in protecting environmental and public health. The Building Commissioner spoke against the proposed amendment as it would be against regulations that already exist in the State Building Code. The BOH Director refuted the proposed local builders additions-modifications to the bylaw as they would render the regulation essentially ineffective. The vote to remove the Article was presented to the floor and was voted affirming the removal of the article. The importance of a strong Board of Health presence at the ATM was discussed amount members and that the article in question cannot be placed back on the ATM warrant for 2 years.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc, seconded by Member Fuller it was unanimously approved to close the Board of Health meeting of November 15th,2021 at 8:05PM

Documents and Submittals of Meeting:

Meeting notice agenda was posted on November 10 2021

Director's Report November 2021

Public Health Nursing Report November 2021