

Egremont Board of Health

Thursday, April 20, 2023, 10:30 am

Egremont Town Hall and Zoom

Members Present: Charles Ogden, Chairman, Dr. William Rose (via Zoom), Ellen Maggio

Recording: Juliette Haas, Director

- 1) Chairman Ogden called the meeting to order at 10:37 am. He introduced members and staff present either in person or on Zoom. He also noted that the meeting was being recorded and that the recording will be available on the town website. Motion made and seconded to adopt the meeting minutes from April 6, 2023, with one correction. **Vote was taken: 2-0 (Ogden and Rose). Minutes adopted as corrected.**

- 2) **Rafi Bildner/new owner of John Andrews Restaurant** Mr. Bildner appeared before the board to discuss future food service. He would like to offer outdoor pizza service this summer while the building is being renovated, including outdoor ordering, a pizza oven, and seating. Member Rose inquired about bathroom services if the indoor restaurant is closed. In the future, Mr. Bildner would like to offer indoor as well as outdoor “pop-up pizza” services like the setup at Great Barrington’s Bistro Box (order outside and pay at an outdoor window, receive a disc that flashes when your order is ready, etc.) Mr. Bildner was told the Board of Health would accommodate his permitting as it relates to food service but advised him to speak to the Select Board and the Planning Board regarding the changes in service.

- 3) **COVID**
Berkshire County is currently in CDC green/low risk for COVID as is most of the country
Statewide COVID 14-day % positivity: 3.7% (down from 4.07% from the previous meeting)
Berkshire County COVID 14-day % positivity: 4.01% (down 5.08% from the previous meeting)
Director Haas will inquire at the upcoming BCBOHA Friday Working Group meeting about future protocols for COVID testing and vaccination locations.

- 4) **Berkshire Public Health Alliance Mini-Grant** The grant application for an additional \$1400 was accepted.

- 5) **Recent Field Work:**
 - 12 Mearns Way/perc/Alliance
 - 9 Egremont Heights/Title 5/Alliance/failed
 - 52 Sheffield Road/Title 5/Alliance/sewer line broken during construction. A permit will be needed for the repair. Title 5 will need to be rescheduled as full inspection could not be performed because of the broken pipe.
 - 61 Sheffield Road/Title 5/Conditional Pass/d-box and tank baffle need to be replaced.

- 6) **Estate of Smith/33 Bow Wow Road** The Board reviewed and approved septic plans for an upgraded septic system submitted by Accord Engineering. The design is for a four-bedroom load, two pipe and stone trenches, and a pump chamber. No Local Upgrade Approvals were requested.

- 7) **MassDEP Well Quality Survey** MassDEP recently sent out a statewide survey to municipalities who may in the future request funding for projects related to PFAS well treatment. Director Haas submitted the survey stating that in the future the town may need \$45,000 in grant funding to fund engineering work and treatment installation for the Town Hall Transient Non-Community Public Water System (PWS) well.

- 8) Meeting adjourned at 11:24am. The May meeting schedule will be May 11 and 25.

Juliette Haas
Approved
5/11/2023