

**Halifax Board of Health Agenda**  
**Wednesday, April 7, 2021**  
**Beginning at 6:30pm in the Great Hall**

On Wednesday, a meeting of the Halifax Board of Health was held at the Halifax Town hall.

**Present at the meeting were:**

John L. Weber, Chairman  
Alan J. Dias, Co-Chairman  
Steven A. MacFaun, Clerk  
Robert Valery, Health Agent  
Kelly Dwyer, Secretary

The Board of Health opened at 6:30pm. Jo-Ann Andrews, Bill Soares, Matt Grosschedl, Attorney Sean Keough, Pamela Engstrom, Mirza T., and Jillian Olston were present.

**1. Disposal Works Permits Ratify:**

**a. 0 & 2 Walnut Street:**

- i. Design Engineer – Matt Grosschedl, Outback Engineering. Requested to be on the agenda.
  - 1. Reviews and Revisions of proposed plan complete. Recommended for approval.
  - 2. [As-Built of existing system was submitted.](#)
  - 3. [Walnut Trust, Title 5 Covenant/Easement, Maintenance Plan.](#)
    - a. [Matt and Attorney Keough presented all the requested materials to The Board.](#)
      - i. [Separate As-built.](#)
      - ii. [Easement/Title 5 Covenant](#)
      - iii. [Walnut Trust Agreement](#)
      - iv. [Operation/Maintenance Plan.](#)
  - 4. [The Board reviewed the materials, and Co-Chairman Alan Dias read the following into record:](#)

“Prior to commencing work on the Shared Septic System the Trustee shall provide to the Town of Halifax Board of Health (the “BOH”) proof that the Trust Reserve Account has been established and initially funded in the amount of \$5,000, and shall thereafter annually provide proof of funding to the BOH in an amount of \$1,000. The Trustee shall provide said Town Board of Health with an accounting of the Trust Reserve Account on an annual basis on the anniversary date of this Trust. The BOH and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (the “DEP”) are each intended third party beneficiaries with respect to the terms and provisions set forth in this Section 7. In the event the Board of Health or the Department of Environmental Protection seek enforcement of the provisions of this Section, or seek enforcement of the terms and conditions of the Grant of Title 5 Covenant and Easement executed by the Owner(s) on or about even date herewith, then, notwithstanding any other term or provisions of this Trust, the Owner(s) and Trustee shall be jointly and severally responsible for and will indemnify the DEP and/or

BOH for all costs and fees (including reasonable attorney's fees) incurred arising from or relating to such enforcement.”

5. Co-Chairman Alan Dias reminded Matt and The Board that nothing is to be done until all the submitted paperwork is signed, notarized, and recorded.

A Motion was made to approve the Disposal Works Permit and Plan for 0-2 Walnut as presented.

**Motion: Alan Dias**  
**Second: Steven MacFaun**  
**Unanimous vote on the motion**

**b. 87 Clyde O’Bosworth Road:**

i. Design Engineer – Joe Webby, Webby Engineering.

1. Needs BOH approval for the Sieve Analysis.

a. Reviews and Revisions of proposed plan complete. Recommended for approval.

A Motion was made to approve plan, with the use of sieve analysis with a 5-bedroom deed restriction.

**Motion: Alan Dias**  
**Second: Steven MacFaun**  
**Unanimous vote on the motion**

**c. 14 Rider’s Way:**

i. Design Engineer – Joe Webby, Webby Engineering

1. Reviews and Revisions of proposed plan complete. Recommend for approval.

A Motion was made to approve plan.

**Motion: Alan Dias**  
**Second: Steven MacFaun**  
**Unanimous vote on the motion**

**d. 77 Oak Street:**

i. Design Engineer – Steve Nelson, Clearwater Recovery

1. Reviews and Revisions of proposed plan complete. Recommend for approval.

A Motion was made to approve plan.

**Motion: Alan Dias**  
**Second: Steven MacFaun**  
**Unanimous vote on the motion**

**e. 21 Brandeis Circle: Design Engineer – George Collins, Collins Engineering.**

1. Local upgrade approval 310 CMR 15.211 (reduction from 20’-15’ is requested from bulkhead only.

2. Reviews and Revisions of proposed plan completed. Recommend for approval.

A Motion was made to approve plan with local upgrade approval.

**Motion: Alan Dias**  
**Second: Steven MacFaun**  
**Unanimous vote on the motion**

f. **292 Thompson Street:**

i. Design Engineer – Greg Tansey, Ross Engineering

a. Reviews and Revisions of proposed plan complete. Recommend for approval.

A Motion was made to approve plan.

**Motion: Alan Dias**

**Second: Steven MacFaun**

**Unanimous vote on the motion**

g. **739 Old Plymouth St:** Design Engineer Shayne McGlone, McGlone Enterprises Inc.

1. Reviews and Revisions of proposed plan completed. Recommend for approval.

A Motion was made to approve plan.

**Motion: Alan Dias**

**Second: Steven MacFaun**

**Unanimous vote on the motion**

2. **Bring to Boards Attention:**

a. State Mosquito Control Opt-Out Hearing:

i. Board vote to opt-in or opt-out of State Mosquito Control program.

1. Health Agent Bob Valery proposed to The Board of Health members that The Board of Selectmen **do not opt-out** of The State Mosquito Control Program.

b. Smoke Shoppe Inquiry.

i. Admin. informed caller (TriTown Convenience) the first step would be to come into the 04/07/21, 6:30pm Board of Health meeting and present their business plan, which should include, what will be sold and how it will be sold, along with a diagram of the building.

ii. Present at the meeting were Mirza, and Jillian.

1. The Board and Health Agent asked questions and stated any concerns.

a. Where will this be?

i. Next to Dunkin Donuts.

b. What will be sold?

i. Tobacco products, cigarettes, cigars,

c. There are regulations that are State centric and Town centric.

i. There are regulations such as single cigars cannot be sold, and there are some flavors and nicotine levels that are banned in this state.

ii. The Board stated that a business plan is necessary that coincide with all tobacco regulations and advised to go to the appropriate boards to approve the plans as well.

3. **Discussion Items:**

a. Ratify Agents Step Increase as approved by Finance Committee.

A Motion was made in discussion to recommend Health Agent Step Increase from grade 2 to grade 4 in Fiscal year 2021.

**Motion: Alan Dias**

**Second: Steven MacFaun**

**Unanimous vote on the motion**

- b. 22 Colby Drive: Title 5 needs further evaluation from BOH.
  - i. Owner Steven Gillis was present.
  - ii. The Board discussed. An in-law was added in 1984, with two separate septic systems on the property.
  - iii. Health Agent brought to The Boards attention that there is a note on the plan, that says if the home sells, the two systems must be connected.
    - 1. Co-Chair Alan Dias stated that The Board should not rely on a note in a plan, and if both systems pass inspection, it should be fine.

A Motion was made to approve the Title V forms for 22 & 22A Colby Drive.

**Motion: Alan Dias**  
**Second: Steven MacFaun**  
**Unanimous vote on the motion**

- c. 163 Plymouth Street: Update
  - i. Health Agent updated The Board that he is waiting to hear back from the homeowner (Fannie Mae).
  - ii. The Board discussed that the cleaning and/or junk removal is Fannie Mae's responsibility.
  - iii. There have been housing court hearings, and the occupant David Fox/Michael O'Donnell has been served fines.
    - 1. There has been no contact with the occupant in weeks.
    - 2. Co-Chairman Alan Dias asked The Board to fine Fannie Mae starting 04/07/2021 for an additional 30 days.
      - a. Health Agent Bob Valery stated he would send those tomorrow, 04/08/2021.
- d. Landfill Erosion Project: Update
  - i. Co-Chairman Alan Dias stated that the project is going well, and The Board will continue to monitor.
- e. Schedule of fees provided for review at next meeting. Consider adding separate Disposal Works Fee for Commercial Applications
  - i. The current schedule of fees was given to each member to review for upcoming meetings.
- f. **Agent Report:**
  - i. COVID-19 Update
    - 1. Health Agent Bob Valery stated that 40 doses of vaccine were secured this week and 40 homebound residents will be vaccinated by the Fire Department this week or next week.
    - 2. Health Agent stated that he is continuously working with Charlie Seelig and the Fire Department on possible mass vaccination sites closer to Halifax such as Bridgewater State University. They are awaiting State Approval.
    - 3. Agent Valery stated that we are in the red, not out of the woods yet, but should continue to be vigilant in COVID-19 safety precautions and avoid potentially hazardous behaviors.

**4. The Following to be signed:**

**a. Meeting Minutes: The Board Signed.**

i. 03/08/21 Meeting Minutes

**b. Revolving Account# 25-513 – FY 21- The Board Signed.**

i. Spath Engineering:

1. Invoice# 03172021-743 – Plan Review – 14 Rider’s Way - \$85.00.

2. Invoice# 03312021-743 – Plan Review – 77 Oak Street - \$85.00.

ii. Webby Engineering – Invoice# 03172 – Plan Review – 47 Chestnut Street - \$85.00

iii. Buker & Sons Clean Community Services

1. Invoice# 040121 – 21 Brandies Circle – Plan Review - \$85.00

**c. Gift Account# 26-514-4830-02 – FY 21- The Board Signed.**

i. Robert Valery – AT&T Mobility – iPad/Cell Phone Usage/Service Contract for March 2021 - \$40.46.

**d. Permits: (With condition all required documents are submitted to the Board of Health office)**

i. 2 Lamppost Drive – Irrigation Well Permit

ii. Nicholas Geneseo – Wind River Environmental – 2021 Septic Installer’s Permit.

iii. Fred Swain – Wind River Environmental – 2021 Septic Installer’s Permit.

iv. Ed Hart – Hart Title V Services – 2021 Septic Installer’s Permit.

v. Jeremiah Richmond – Richmond Sand & Gravel – 2021 Septic Installer’s Permit

vi. Tom Driscoll – TJ Driscoll Construction – 2021 Septic Installer’s Permit

vii. George Collins – Collins Engineering – 2021 Soil Evaluator’s Permit

viii. Nicholas Geneseo – Wind River Environmental – 2021 Title V Inspector’s Permit.

ix. Michael DeCosta, Jr. – Wind River Environmental – 2021 Title V Inspector’s Permit

x. Ed Hart – Hart Title V Services – 2021 Title V Inspector’s Permit

A Motion was made to approve permit i-x as read.

**Motion: Alan Dias**

**Second: Steven MacFaun**

**Unanimous vote on the motion**

**Adjournment**

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm.

**Motion: Alan Dias**

**Second: Steven MacFaun**

**Unanimous vote on the motion**

**Typed by,**

Kelly Dwyer, Secretary

**Signed By:**

John L. Weber, Chairman

Alan J. Dias, Co-Chairman

Steven A. MacFaun – Clerk

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