



# Town of Boylston Board of Health [boh@boylston-ma.gov](mailto:boh@boylston-ma.gov)

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## MEETING MINUTES

September 24, 2018

**Members Present:** Sarah Scheinfein, John Wentzell, Robert Thibeault

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Dennis Costello

**Recorder:** Sarah Scheinfein

### RESIDENT BUSINESS

Kim Ames to discuss the Distressed Properties Program offer by the Attorney General – Ms. Ames would like the board to consider participating in the Distressed Properties Identification and Revitalization Program offered by the Attorney General's Office. Dennis did some research and felt it was more for abandoned or blighted properties. Once the properties are identified, a contractor is hired to do the repairs and a lien is put on the property. There was one home in particular that was discussed. Dennis said they have reached out many times. The Building Inspector (Tony Zahariadis) said the properties don't have to be vacant or bank owned; they can be occupied residential properties. He said if the board joins the program, a list is compiled and work is started on the worst first. The Board of Health would be responsible for running the program. There is no cost to the town; the contractors become the first lienholder. You have to be cautious because there is the chance someone could lose their home if they cannot afford to pay the contractor's costs. The board agreed to have Ms. Ames contact Monica Passeno (Attorney General's Office-Worcester) to give a presentation to the Board of Selectmen and the board can attend.

### GENERAL BUSINESS

John Wentzell made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes dated August 27, 2018; Rob Thibeault seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

October 22<sup>nd</sup> was confirmed as the next meeting date.

### AGENT'S REPORT

Mosquito Control – Since the last meeting, 5-6 towns tested positive for the West Nile Virus; Boylston was not one of them. Members noticed that lately the mosquitoes are very small. Dennis called Tim Deschamps (Mosquito Control) and was told they are a "flood mosquito" and hatch early; they are just starting to become carriers. The program cleans waterways during

the winter; if any are known that need to be cleaned they should contact Mosquito Control directly.

Flu Clinics – The Flu Clinic for ages 9 and up is scheduled for November 6<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-2PM and will be held at the Town Hall in the Ward Nicholas Meeting Room. CVS will once again be administering the vaccine.

Warrant Article for Special Town Meeting – Town Counsel amended the Revolving Fund Article to be put on the Warrant. The board agreed to the amendment; Dennis will get it to the Town Administrator to be included on the upcoming Warrant.

Sarah did speak with Dave Butler (Finance Committee). They are meeting with the Board of Selectmen on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. She could meet with them after that.

### **PLAN REVIEW**

34 Mill Road (Brunelle) – Approved.

52 Warren Street (Walsh) – Approved.

60 Linden Street (MacDonald) – Approved.

Lot 11 Longley Hill (Ansari) – There was discussion but no action taken tonight.

Lot 2 Pine Street (Pine Street Realty) – Approved.

Lot 3 Pine Street (Pine Street Realty) – Approved.

Jack Wentzell made a motion to adjourn; Sarah Scheinfein seconded the motion; all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.