

**TOWN OF MILLIS
BOARD OF HEALTH**

Minutes of Meeting

January 8, 2024 – APPROVED

A meeting of the Board of Health was held on Monday, January 8th, 2024, at 6:00 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85909246761>

Present were:

- John McVeigh, Public Health Director
- Matthew Fuller, Board Member
- Donna Scotland, Chair
- JaiKaur LeBlanc, Board Member
- Kathleen Lannon, Town Resident
- Anne McManus, Interim Public Health Nurse
- Tyler Bernier – Kleinfelder
- Mike Carter – GCG Associates, Inc.
- Brian Spaulding – Toll Brothers
- Jerry Burke – 50 Richardson Drive

Chair Scotland moved, and Member Fuller seconded, and it was unanimously voted to open the Millis Board of Health meeting of January 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

Administrative Business:

- a. The monthly Public Health Nurse report.
- b. The November 13, 2023, and December 4, 2023 meeting minutes were approved.

6:00 PM– Discussion COVID/Flu update:

Director McVeigh reviewed the Interim Public Health Nurse McManus report with the Board. Flu activity has risen as expected following holiday travel, and there has been an increase in COVID-19 cases. Case reports from November 13, 2023 thru December 31, 2023, indicate 7 cases of Influenza, 25 cases of COVID-19, and 2 reported cases of Lyme disease. Daily monitoring of communicable diseases is conducted, with investigations carried out as needed.

Agenda:

6:07 PM – EHIR Well #3 DPW

Tyler Bernier from Kleinfelder has asked for a continuation. Kleinfelder did not receive GCG Associates, Inc. peer review comments until Friday, January 5th at 11:30 AM. Tyler is asking for a meeting in one week so peer review can be read and have a written response and documentation for any variances they might need as part of the EHIR.

The BOH discussed waiving the fee for the review of the tight tank that will be located on the property. The money, if it was collected, would be deposited into the Town of Millis General Fund, the BOH would not see the money deposited into any BOH account. Chair Scotland made a motion which was unanimously accepted to waive the BOH fee for the tight tank that will be installed at Well #3.

A continuation meeting will be held on January 16th, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

6:50 PM – 50 Richardson Drive RGE Issue

Brain Spaulding representing Toll Brothers, gave the BOH an updated timeline regarding the moving of the loam piles across the street from Jerry Burke, owner of 50 Richardson Drive. As of this date, much of the loam pile has been removed, except for a small amount that will be needed for the backfill of the foundations at 53, 55, and 57 Richardson Drive. Toll Brothers is expecting that all loam work will be complete by mid-February if the weather cooperates. Jerry Burke is satisfied with the progress that Toll Brothers is making and looks forward to Toll Brothers being finished with the dirt piles.

Discussions**7:00 PM – Wetlands Flooding**

BOH discussed flooding in the Town of Millis, how wetlands buffer flooding, and that it's not just the beaver that is causing the flooding but major rain events and possibly undersized infrastructure -culverts in the town.

7:20 PM – 121 Norfolk Road – Wireless Cell Tower Station

BOH discussed the request from the Planning Board to comment on the approval and installation of a Monopole cell tower at 121 Norfolk Road. The BOH is asking the Planning Board to hold off on approval until the applicant can give proof of their statement that the Monopole cell tower does not impact public health.

8:00 PM – Approval of Meeting Minutes

BOH went over the November 13, 2023, and December 4, 2023 meeting minutes and approved with noted corrections.

A motion was made by Chair Scotland, seconded by Member LeBlanc, and it was unanimously voted to close the Board of Health meeting of January 8th, 2023 at 8:38 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for January 16th, 2024 at 6:00 PM via Zoom.

Documents and Submittals of Meeting:

Meeting agenda notice was posted on January 3rd, 2024

Director's Report January 8th, 2024

Nurses Report January 8th, 2024