

Town of Natick

Board of Health

April 16, 2024 via ZOOM

Meeting Minutes

Present: Karla H. Sangrey, PE, Chair; Donald J. Breda, PE, Vice Chair, Peter A. Delli Colli, DMD, Clerk

Also Present: Michael K. Boudreau, MPA, RS/REHS, Director of Public Health

Absent: None

Call to Order: Chair Sangrey noted a quorum was present and called the meeting to order via roll call, Mr. Breda, Dr. Delli Colli, and Ms. Sangrey all present remotely

Board of Health Reorganization:

Dr. Delli Colli made a motion for Mr. Breda to be Chair.

Ms. Sangrey seconded the motion.

There were no further nominations and no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes Mr. Breda, yes

Mr. Breda made a motion for Ms. Sangrey to be Vice Chair.

Dr. Delli Colli seconded the motion.

There were no further nominations and no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Mr. Breda, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes Ms. Sangrey, yes

Mr. Breda made a motion for Dr. Delli Colli to be Clerk.

Ms. Sangrey seconded the motion.

There were no further nominations and no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Mr. Breda, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes

Citizens' Concerns: None presented

Discussion and Decision: March 11, 2024 meeting minutes

The draft minutes were reviewed and discussed.

Mr. Breda made a motion to accept the March 11, 2024 meeting minutes as presented.

Ms. Sangrey seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Mr. Breda, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes

Discussion and Decision: Annual nomination of Animal Inspectors – Kimberly Condon, Michael Boudreau and Peter Cunningham.

Also present for this discussion, Kimberly Condon.

Ms. Condon said to the Board that in the year 2023, there were fifty-seven quarantine notices. Seven notices were transferred to other towns, two cancelled because not necessary, forty-three were in quarantine, of which are thirteen felines and one animal at the Organic Farm. Ms. Condon noted that

quarantines in 2023 were lower compared to previous years. In 2024, Ms. Condon noted more in comparison thus far.

Mr. Boudreau explained Ms. Condon is the primary inspector, Mr. Cunningham is the secondary inspector and Mr. Boudreau is the back-up inspector when they are not available. Mr. Boudreau noted that Ms. Condon and Mr. Cunningham have provided great support to the Health Department.

Ms. Sangrey made a motion for Kimberly Condon to be a Natick Board of Health nominee for Animal Inspector for the Town of Natick.

Dr. Delli Colli seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Mr. Breda, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes

Ms. Sangrey made a motion for Peter Cunningham to be a Natick Board of Health nominee for Animal Inspector for the Town of Natick.

Dr. Delli Colli seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Mr. Breda, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes

Ms. Sangrey made a motion for Michael Bourdreau to be a Natick Board of Health nominee for Animal Inspector for the Town of Natick.

Dr. Delli Colli seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Mr. Breda, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes

Discussion and Decision: 4 Cypress Road Request for Variance from 310 CMR 15.00 (MA DEP Title 5) and Natick Board of Health Regulation Chapter 5 to install a private septic system with a reduction in daily sewage flow design standards, reduced setbacks from building and reduced setbacks from the property line with the following considerations:

- 15.405(1)(b) Reduce foundation setback to soil absorption system from 20 feet to 15 feet;
- 15.405(1)(i) Use of Sieve test to obtain Long Term Acceptance;
- 15.405(1)(k) Use of one test pit in area of system;
- Two variances of Chapter 5: Section 7 Adjoining lot line offset to be 20 feet (10 feet provided per Title 5); and
- Chapter 5: Section 13 reduce flow from 150 gallons per day (gpd) per bedroom to 110 gpd per bedroom.

Mr. Daniel McIntyre was present for the discussion.

Mr. McIntyre explained that the small lot size and location of the house on the lot required the foundation setback reduction to maximize the size of the soil absorption system from 20 feet to 15 feet. A plastic barrier will be built in to protect the foundation and to prevent migration of effluent toward the foundation.

Mr. McIntyre said increasing the system flow to the Natick Regulation for 150 gpd per bedroom would require further reduction in setbacks to the property line and foundation. The design as proposed is consistent with the Title 5 requirement of 110gpd will adequately serve the existing use and provides the same or better level of environmental protection than a larger system closer to the foundation or property lines.

Mr. Breda asked Mr. McIntyre to set the barrier 2ft lower to where foundation is.

Ms. Sangrey made the motion to accept the proposed plan, with inclusion of lowering barrier 2ft further down.

Mr. Breda seconded the motion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes Mr. Breda, yes

Discussion and Decision: Revised Natick Board of Health Regulation, Chapter 6: Keeping of Livestock and Bees

Mr. Boudreau reported to the Board that he revised the updated Chapter 6 Regulation for the following Sections:

Section 4(H) Applicant has to notify the Department or Agent if intends to increase the number or change of animals. The Board of Health or Agent will inspect the premises and provide approval or denial in writing.

Section 4(K) Acceptance of a Permit to keep animals pursuant to this Section shall be deemed consent for the Board of Health or Agents, Animal Inspector, or Animal Control Officer to enter and inspect all Facilities and Animal Structures on the property.

Section 5(G) All permitted animals shall be confined to the property, preferably in an enclosed area, for which a permit is granted unless the permit holder has documented in writing to the satisfaction of the Board of Health, including obtaining any necessary permissions, arrangements for such animals to be kept elsewhere. No free range animals.

Ms. Sangrey made the motion to accept Chapter 6 Natick Board of Health Regulation, Keeping of Livestock and Bees.

Dr. Delli Colli seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

The roll call vote was as follows: Ms. Sangrey, yes Dr. Delli Colli, yes Mr. Breda, yes

Health Department Update(s):

Mr. Boudreau said to the Board the designated Tobacco Agent conducted compliance checks. There are a total of sixteen (16) Tobacco permit holders and two (2) Tobacco Retailers; J Convenience and Total Wine & Spirits sold tobacco products to a person under the Minimum Legal Sales Age (MLSA).

Natick Board of Health Regulation, Chapter 19 (Q)(a) states in the case of first violation, of a sale to a minor, a fine of \$1,000.00 and suspension of tobacco sales permit for three (3) consecutive business days.

Ms. Jessica Cliff said to the Board she had talked to the managers at J Convenience and Total Wine & Spirit. She explained the penalty of first violation and they have seven (7) days to appeal the penalty. J Convenience said they had hired a new employee and Total Wine & Spirit said they have to review their video footage. The last time we had a sale to a minor violation was two years ago and the three (3) consecutive business days was not implemented.

Ms. Sangrey made a suggestion to hold a training for the permit holders from the Board of Health.

Mr. Boudreau suggested the suspension dates to go in effect on April 22, 2024 (Monday), April 23, 2024 (Tuesday) and April 24, 2024 (Wednesday).

On April 27, 2024 The Thirty-eighth Annual Household Hazardous Waste Day Event. We thank the Department of Public Works for working with us and for the use of their space.

The Natick 180 will have a table set-up on Natick Common with information about protection from mosquito and tick bites.

National Drug Take Back Day at the Natick Police Station.

May Mental Health Awareness Month – Events May is Mental Health Awareness Month and the Natick Health Department has been very involved in creating an extensive town wide campaign to offer education, training and awareness for both residents and town employees. Ms. Jessica Cliff is leading the Mental Health project along side with Ms. Elizabeth Chalfin and Ms. Shannon Finnegan.

Scheduled Upcoming Events:

May 2, 2024 Kickoff night at the Morse Library. We would like to have the Department Heads to attend the event. A Community Tree of your response to “How Can We Support Each Other”

May 4, 2024 Mental Health Awareness Booth will have a set-up at the Farmers Market.

May 6, 2024 QPR Suicide Prevention Training at Morse Library presented by Natick 180.

May 10, 2024 Be Seen in Geen Day, Wear your Green Ribbon all Week.

May 11, 2024 Rumble Boxing Workout at the Community Senior Center and Family Movie night at Morse Library.

May 18, 2024 Mental Health Resource Fair at Farmers Market, special attendees - Morse Hospital and Metrowest.

Yoga at the Natick Common.

May 22, 2024 Mocktails Drink Event.

Strategies for Talking with Teens About Mental Health Session Virtual for All.

Natick 180 Update(s) Mr. Boudreau attended the Metrowest dinner, Debbie Blumer Award on behalf of the Health Department.

Board Member Update(s):

Dr. Delli Colli asked where to dispose of electronics.

Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) regulations state that Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs) from television and computer monitors are prohibited from all Massachusetts solid waste disposal facilities. Thus Natick cannot accept them in trash collection. These are banned due to the lead content in the cathode ray tubes.

The Town of Natick will collect and recycle these items. Computers and televisions are collected as bulky waste for a fee of \$25.00 each. Please call the DPW for information and to schedule a bulk waste pickup. Additionally, the Town holds an annual electronic recycling event for disposal of these items. These items will not be accepted at the Recycling Center.

<https://www.natickma.gov/289/HighwaySanitation-Division>

Ms. Sangrey discussed recent approval of Environmental Protection Agency Safe Drinking Water Act Regulations on PFAS levels. She asked if the town was responding. Current information on PFAS response in the Town can be found at the following link.  
<https://www.natickma.gov/1753/PFAS>

Next Meeting(s): The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 6, 2024

Adjourn: Dr. Delli Colli made the motion to adjourn.  
Mr. Breda seconded the motion.  
There was no further discussion.  
The roll call vote was as follows: Dr. Delli Colli, yes Mr. Breda, yes Ms. Sangrey, yes

Respectfully submitted,



Peter A. Delli Colli, DMD, Clerk

Documents at this meeting:  
Draft minutes March 11, 2024 meeting  
Draft minutes April 8, 2024 meeting  
Documents to support 4 Cypress Rd.  
Final Chpt. 6 revisions  
MDAR Animal Inspector Nomination papers