

Shutesbury Board of Health
October 4, 2023, 7 pm
Virtual meeting

Present: Catherine Hilton, chair; Norene Pease, Garrett Simonsen, board members.

Minutes of previous meeting accepted.

Cat reported that Claudia and Charlie confirmed that the setback between the proposed tight tank and a drain at 57-59 Lake Drive is consistent with Title 5. The board has already voted to issue the DWCP once ConCom has issued its conditions.

Cat visited 230 Leverett Road where Wayne Dorman and Diane Jacoby were concerned about a stream that had become muddy and malodorous. It ultimately turned out to be iron-eating bacteria and there were no public health implications.

A resident has inquired about establishing a burial ground on her property. Board discussed the various requirements for setbacks, soil analysis, and deed notice. Cat will confer with Town Clerk and Cemetery Commission for more information. To be continued next meeting.

Norene reported that there is a state-level community health survey that we should encourage our residents to take. The goal of the survey is to improve health equity in services and planning. We can promote this on Town-Announce, NDS, at the library and Town Hall, and through the public health nurse.

Cat will do a Town-Announce about covid and vaccination.

Norene asked if a revolving fund for receiving opioid settlement funds has been established. Cat will remind the Select Board that we have two warrant articles for a Special Town Meeting this fall: the revolving fund and the bill of prior years for the mosquito control district.

Norene also reported that the MAPHCO evaluation committee that is searching for a PHEP planner has interviewed a firm, the only applicant, and will recommend contracting with this firm.

Adjourn 7:45