



**Town of West Boylston**  
140 Worcester Street, West Boylston, Massachusetts 01583

## **The Board of Health Meeting Minutes**

<b>Date / Time / Location of Meeting</b>	<b>07-07-2021 / 6:00pm</b>
<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Robert Barrell, John Sullivan, Tracy Gagnon, Beverly Salate, Michaun Fowler</b>
<b>Members Not Present</b>	
<b>Guests</b>	<b>Karyn Clarke (Worcester DPH), Danielle Edmands (CMRPHA)</b>
<b>Welcome – Call to Order</b>	<b>Time: 6:00 pm - The meeting was held at the West Boylston Senior Center.</b>
<b>Approval of Previous Minutes</b>	<b>June 16, 2021 meeting minutes, noted by present members to have been reviewed and approved via email, were signed by those members who attended that meeting. A signature authorization memorandum for the Town Accountant was also signed by all members.</b>
<b>Motion to Approve</b>	<b>Ms. Fowler</b>
<b>Motion Seconded</b>	<b>Ms. Gagnon</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>Approved unanimously</b>

- **CMRPHA Regional Report**

Ms. Clark addressed the changes to the Intermunicipal Agreement with Worcester, which is due to be presented at an upcoming West Boylston Select Board meeting July 21, 2021 for approval. She noted that the increased cost (\$2531.00 per month, \$30,374.00 per year) will be funded through the American Rescue Plan Act. The contract is for one year to allow for re-evaluation of services and costs, as the previous contract is eleven years old. Nursing services will continue to be a separate contract at this time.

She also provided information on various other upcoming changes relative to MA Boards of Health, including requirements for personnel to be certified in various relevant areas, and the goal of regionalizing more communities.

- **COVID-19**

Board members and Ms. Clarke discussed options for providing vaccinations within the community, such as mobile units, providing local doctors with vaccine, or having community vaccine events, in particular to facilitate vaccination of 12 through 16-year-old residents to prepare for the upcoming school year, as the vaccination rate thus far in this age group is low in West Boylston. Dr. Sullivan will contact Superintendent Meagher to coordinate. A suggestion was made to post something on the Town electronic bulletin board; Dr. Sullivan

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said he will compose something. It was noted that the vaccination rate for West Boylston adults is very good.

- **CMRPHA Local Report**

Ms. Edmands' report covers the period since the last Board Meeting on 06-16-2021; she completed four routine inspections including a condominium pool and a new addition to a local retail food business; all passed inspection. She responded to two complaints and visited the proposed new Brown Rice restaurant at the Wachusett Plaza, which is undergoing renovations.

She related the situation at 24 Cumberland Drive, where the owner has been illegally operating a car repair business in a residential zone. The Building Department has ordered the owner to cease and desist operating his business at this residential property where he also has an over-full dumpster. Ms. Lee and Ms. Edmands will send a letter ordering the owner to empty and remove the dumpster.

- **Bill approval, Financial report**

Ms. Lee reported several invoices that were approved and signed by Mr. Barrell, including nursing services with Sutton and inspectional services with Worcester. She noted that the remaining balance for COVID-19 nursing services is approximately \$2000.00.

- **Office report**

Ms. Lee reviewed the Title-5 projects, citing any notable concerns. She reports that some renovation is being done at 45 and 49 Central Street, and noted the buildings cannot be occupied until connected to the sewer.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

<b>Motion Originator</b>	<b>Ms. Gagnon</b>
<b>Motion Seconded</b>	<b>Ms. Fowler</b>
<b>Result</b>	<b>Approved unanimously</b>
<b>Time of Adjournment</b>	<b>7:20 pm</b>

**Signatures**

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Robert J. Barrell, MPA, Chairman

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John Sullivan, MD

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Beverly A. Salate, RN, BSN

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Tracy Gagnon, MEd

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Michaun Fowler, BSM

**Submitted by:** **Margaret Lee**  
**Date Submitted:** **08-11-2021**

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