



**Town of Southborough
Board of Health**
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Minutes of the Southborough Board of Health

Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2025 – Board of Health – Virtual Meeting – 11:00 am

Present:

Board Members, Chelsea Malinowski, Dr. Safdar Medina, Dr. Liz Zulick; Health Agent, Chris Craig; Business Administrator, Barbara Spiri

Also in Attendance: Peter Bemis, Engineering Design Consultants, Inc.

Opening:

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 11:01 am by Ms. Malinowski.

Topic: Public Comment

Discussion: Public comments were not brought before the board.

Topic: Approval of the 2/11/25 Meeting Minutes

Action: Ms. Malinowski made a motion to accept the amended minutes from the 2/11/25 (with the change from *Sarah Cassell* to *Isabella Caruso will resubmit...* under the topic ‘Greater Boroughs Funding Options’) meetings. Dr. Medina seconded the motion and voted aye. Dr. Zulick voted aye. Ms. Malinowski voted aye. Vote: 3-0

Topic: 2 East Main Street Project – Peter Bemis

Discussion: Mr. Bemis would like to install a septic system for an 8-bedroom unit multi-family building. The required system would be a Goodflow Solutions Ameration Chamber System. The problem he is experiencing is the flow rate. A previous variance is not sufficient for what he has planned. He is asking the Board to consider granting him an additional variance. The Board will discuss this topic in a Public Hearing at the April 8th meeting.

Topic: Massachusetts Municipal Association Kenneth Pickard Innovations Award

Discussion: Ms. West applied for this award and the Town of Southborough won. It will be used for the Greater Boroughs.

Topic: Body Works Regulations

Discussion: Chris Craig, Health Agent, is currently looking over the document. The Board of Health will hold a public hearing soon to adopt the regulations.

Topic: Town Meeting – April 7, 2025

Discussion: Two items requiring approval: FY26 budget and a spending increase of \$25,000 for the vaccination revolving account.

Topic: Bird Flu Update

Discussion: Chris Craig addressed this topic. The risk to public health remains low. The high-risk populations are those that handle livestock or poultry on a regular basis. Residents should avoid wild birds/wildlife. If a resident sees 5 or more wild birds dead in the same place, they should report it to Mass Wildlife. Those who have chickens should take special precautions to make sure they do not mingle with wild birds.

Topic: Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 – 11:00 am - BOH Meeting – Virtual
Tuesday, May 6, 2025 – 11:00 am – BOH Meeting – Virtual
Tuesday, June 10, 2025 – 12:00 pm - BOH Meeting – Virtual

Topic: Public Comment

Discussion: Public comments were not brought before the board.

Ms. Malinowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 am. Dr. Medina seconded the motion and voted aye. Dr. Zulick voted aye. Ms. Malinowski voted aye. Vote: 3-0.

Respectively submitted by Barbara Spiri, Business Administrator and edited by Chelsea Malinowski.