

**Town of Becket
Board of Health
557 Main Street
Becket, Massachusetts 01223
(413) 623-8934 ext. 122 fax (413) 623-6036**

Meeting Minutes or November 3, 2021

Board Members Present: Gale Labelle, Robert Ronzio

Board Member via Zoom: none

Board Member Absent: Laurel Burgwardt

Clerk of Committee: Tess Lundberg

Public Present: David Colpitts, Jason Sayward

Pulic via Zoom: Sarah DeJesus, Dave Duquette, Ed Fahey, John Hathaway, Jennifer Kimball, Stephen Murray, Sandy Sayward, Fred Sears, Nana Simopoulos

Items will be kept in the order of the agenda for easier reference.

1. Call to order:

Ms. Labelle calls the meeting to order at 5:04 PM. Ms. Labelle introduces the Board members present and reads the rules of the meeting.

2. Board to approve meeting minutes for October 6, 2021: Mr. Ronzio makes a motion to approve the minutes of October 6, 2021. Ms. Labelle seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

3. Berkshire Regional Planning Commission/Berkshire Opioid Abuse Prevention

Collaborative – The board hears a presentation from Jennifer Kimball a Principal Planner at Berkshire Regional Planning Commission, Sarah DeJesus a Harm Reduction Specialist, and Stephen Murray a member of Northern Berkshire EMS. Ms. Kimball provides the board with a local approval letter to notify the Mass Department of Public Health that the Becket Board of health has approved a Syringe Services Program in Becket.

Mr. Ronzio makes a motion to send the local approval letter to Mass Department of Public Health. Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

4. Certificate of Redemption- 2905 Main St- matter was resolved by the Tax Collector Office.

5. 3425 Main St- possible lead paint exposure from exterior house paint removal. Mr. Ronzio states he went to the property, collected samples of the paint chips found on the ground. Mr. Ronzio states he attempted to speak to the homeowner, but she became angry when he requested that she wear a face mask in light of the Covid risk. Ms. LaBelle asked the Health Inspector, Mr. Fahey, to followup going forward. Mr. Fahey states the workers should have taken measures to prevent the paint chips from going onto the neighboring property. Mr. Fahey asked that the photos taken at the site be sent to him, he will discuss it with Mr. Kaniecki and followup if anything else should be done.

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6. **233 Gention Hollow-** order extension. The board reviews the 30 day extension letter that was sent via certified and regular mail on 11/1/2021, with an inspection scheduled on 11/22/2021. Continued to the 12/1/2021 meeting.

7. **Reports from Ed Fahey/Charlie Kaniecki:**

- a. **260 Alan A Dale-** professional survey pending- continued.
- b. **58 Depot** – receivership in process- continued.
- c. **43 Pleasant St-** Kaniecki in process- continued.
- d. **799 King Richard Drive-** court ordered 90 day deadline to complete repairs to code violations expires on 10/28/2021- continued.
- e. **50 Beach** - Kaniecki placed on hold for 60 days, deadline 11/5/2021- continued.
- f. **44 Pleasant-** order to give the building to the Town. Discussion with the Select Board pending- continued.
- i. **219 Bancroft Rd-** Continued from 10/6, survey not done yet. - continued.
- j. **193 Black Arrow Way-** Pending stamped survey with lot dimensions shown on septic plan. - continued.
- k. **9 Prince Paul Path-** continued

l. **227 King Richard** letter from Thomas Fitzgerald regarding design changes. Mr. Fahey states he has no issues with the proposed changes, current design requirements state that the 5 foot area around the system are not required. Ms. LaBelle makes a motion to approve the change in design removing the 5 foot overdig. Mr. Ronzio seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

m. **0 King Richard Drive 216.285, 216.287, 216.288 Maggi-** Mr. Fahey states he is concerned that the design used soil percolation data from the 90's, indicating the groundwater was greater than 7 feet. Mr. Fahey states another nearby property has groundwater at 22 inches.

Mr. Ronzio states that the plan needs to have a registered land surveyor on the design to get approvals.

- n. **0 Wade Inn Rd 413.45.1** – no fee pd, no plan uploaded. - continued.
- o. **0 Skyline Ridge Road 416.38** – Jolicoeur/Orozco. Mr. Fahey says there are no setback issues and he recommends approval. Mr. Ronzio makes a motion to approve the septic design, Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion. . Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

p. **693 King Richard Drive-** Pastore- no physical plan copies received. Mr. Fahey has received plans and reviewed them. Mr. Sears states a failed Title 5 inspection was done in 2015, with test pits done the same day. Mr. Sears states it was determined there was insufficient

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depth of soil, the site is steep with boulders, and it is not feasible to place a system on the neighboring properties. Mr. Sears states the design is for a 4 bedroom home, with a 1,500 gallon tank plus a second 1,000 gallon tank to meet requirements. Plastic tanks will be used because concrete tanks would require cranes to install. Mr. Sears states the homeowner will maintain an operations and maintenance contract in perpetuity. Mr. Ronzio asks if the design could be modified to two 1,500 gallon tanks. Mr. Sears does not think that would be feasible. Ms. LaBelle asks what is the set back from the existing well. Mr. Sears states the well is 85 feet from the tank. Ms. LaBelle asks if the house is a 4 bedroom home. Mr. Sears confirms it is a 4 bedroom home. Mr. Fahey states it is unfortunate a 4 bedroom home was built on this site. Mr. Ronzio states he would like to see other options available, such as larger tanks or tanks built on site. Mr. Sears agrees that he can research available alternatives that can be applied in the site. Continued.

q. **61 Porcupine Court-** Sayward- no fee pd, no plan uploaded. Mr. Sayward states he has been discussing the system design options with Berkshire Engineering, and a sieve analysis was sent out. Mr. Ronzio makes a motion to continue the application to the December 2021 meeting, noting that the plans and fees should be submitted in the next 2 weeks to allow time to review. Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

r. **141 Beech Tree** – Egge- tank replacement email to installer 10/29 to attend. Mr. Fahey states if the replacement tank is being put in the same location as the old tank a design drawing is not required. Mr. Duquette states he is the installer requesting the permit to install a new 1,500 gallon plastic tank. Ms. LaBelle makes a motion to approve the replacement with a 1,500 gallon plastic tank. Mr. Ronzio seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

s. **173 King Richard-** Simopoulos- Tank size/variance from approved . The homeowner, Ms. Simopoulos, is making an agreement with neighbor for an easement onto neighbor's property to allow the septic tank installation to go across property boundary. Mr. Fahey states the installer will have to dig in order to see how the tank is going to fit. Mr. Ronzio states the easement should include a site plan, be notarized, filed with the Registry of Deeds, and should include owner access to the tank in order for pumping. Mr. Fahey states the plan solves a major problem and if it works it would be the best solution. Mr. Ronzio makes a motion to approve the easement agreement with changes to Exhibit A showing the location of the tank access, the property lines, with notarized signatures and filed with the Registry of Deeds. Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

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8. Title V inspections:

g. Received reports

1. **107 Wells Rd-** pass - per Laurel Burgwardt at 8/4 meeting owner told water test required to pass
2. **557 Captain Whitney Rd –** pass
3. **73 Greenbrook-** pass
4. **551 Otis Rd-** pass
5. **473 County Rd-** pass

9. Percolation tests:

h. **0 Benton Hill Rd 209.8** Segura

10. Full Circle Applications Received:

i. **Food Service Establishments:**

1. Becket General Store no fee paid
2. Papa Bobs- no application received-

j. **Well**

1. **0 Skyline Ridge Road 416.38 –** Jolicoeur/Orozco : Ms. LaBelle makes a motion to accept the well plan. Mr. Ronzio seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**
2. **104 Alan A Dale-** : Ms. LaBelle makes a motion to accept the well plan. Mr. Ronzio seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**
3. **111 Longview Rd-** Kinnear Neul – no physical plan received. Continued.

11. Old Business:

- k. 29 Chester Road/Becket Motel: Ms. LaBelle states it appears that the covers on the septic system have been replaced. Ms. LaBelle asks Mr. Fahey to check and confirm.
- l. 100 Family Court Deadline for Title V inspection is 11/29/2021- continued.
- m. 30 Washington St- resident concern- continued from October. Mr. Ronzio reports that a complaint was received about trash and debris. He observed that there was debris on the property and there was a three sided trailer that appeared to be used as storage. Mr. Fahey will look at the site and make a recommendation.

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12. Public Input

Mr. Colpitts asks if he can see the septic plan submitted for **0 King Richard Drive 216.285, 216.287, 216.288** – Maggi. Mr. Ronzio shows Mr. Colpitts the design submitted.

13. Budget

Ms. LaBelle states that the recent invoices from Berkshire Regional Planning Commission for Inspectional and Public Health Nursing services have been paid.

Ms. LaBelle states over 70 people attended the flu immunization clinic held at Town Hall.

14. Correspondence- none

15. Any other business to come before the Board

n. Portable Toilet Regulation- continued,


o. **0 Sherwood Dr/Enchanted Cove-** Question received from Cons Com regarding larger house footprint impacting setback from septic. Plan was approved but install done without permit. Mr. Ronzio states that Mr. Sears was not able to stay on the call, but he stated that the footprint change for the house did not effect the setbacks on the other side of the house. Mr. Fahey stated he would ask Mr. Sears to provide that information. Mr. Fahey states he believes they did the final inspection on the septic system install, but he will check into it.

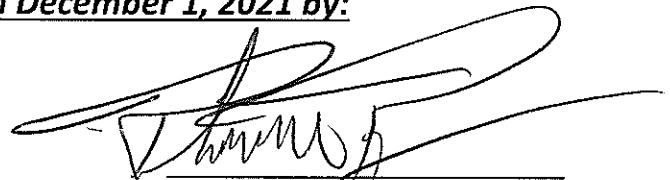
5. Adjournment: Next Board meeting will be on December 1, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

Mr. Ronzio makes a motion to adjourn. Ms. Labelle seconds the motion. Mr. Ronzio votes in favor. Ms. Labelle votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

Meeting is adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Meeting Minutes reviewed and approved on December 1, 2021 by:


Gale LaBelle, Chairperson


Robert Ronzio, Vice Chair

Laurel Burgwardt, Clerk