



Falmouth Health Department

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BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING AGENDA JUNE 1, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

Town Hall lower level meeting room
59 Town Hall Square, Falmouth, MA 02540
Times indicated for the agenda topics are approximate

In accordance with the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G. L. c. 30A, § 20, relating to the 2020 novel Coronavirus outbreak emergency, the June 1, 2020 public meeting of the Falmouth Board of Health shall be physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation. Alternative public access to this meeting shall be provided in the following manner:

1. Real-time public comment can be addressed to the Board of Health utilizing the Zoom virtual meeting software for remote access. This application will allow users to view the meeting and send a comment or question to the Chair via the Chat function. Submitted text comments will be read into the record at the appropriate points in the meeting.

Zoom Login instructions:

i. Instructions and the meeting link for this specific meeting can be found at the following web address: <http://www.falmouthmass.us/BOH>

ii. Please plan on 10-15 minutes of preparation time to log in though it may be less if you have previously used Zoom on the device you will use to access this meeting.

2. Additionally public comments may be sent in advance of the meeting to health@falmouthma.gov at least 5 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting. Documents and audio or video files may also be submitted via email. Submitted email comments and documents will be made a part of the meeting record and may be read into the record, summarized or displayed during the meeting at the discretion of the chair.

3. Applicants, their representatives and individuals with enforcement matters before the Board may appear remotely and are not required to be physically present. Applicants, their representatives and individuals with enforcement matters before the Board may contact the Health Department to arrange an alternative means of real time participation if unable to use the Zoom virtual meeting software. Documentary exhibits and/or visual presentations should be submitted in advance of the meeting to the Health Agent at health@falmouthma.gov so they may be displayed for remote public access viewing.

4:30 - Opening remarks and public comment

SEPTIC SYSTEMS

4:30 - 55 Madeline Road - local upgrade approval/ variance request – CONTINUED FROM 5/18/2020

Assessed for 3 bedrooms

Request the following Title 5 divergences to 310 CMR 15.211: Minimum Setback Distances (2 total)

- Soil absorption system to a cellar wall from the required 20' down to 7'
- Soil absorption system to a property line from the required 10' down to 7'



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- Requesting a waiver from the 5' vertical separation from a soil absorption system to groundwater down to 4.83'

Documents: Letter outlining the project and the design plan by John Doyle.
Plan dated April 28, 2020
Abutting property plans for reference (i.e. #57)

COVID-19

4:40 – COVID–19 Discussion

Health Agent and Board of Health will discuss current state of the pandemic, including how it is affecting Falmouth and Gov. Baker's program for reopening and how it relates to Falmouth.

5:05 –Vote on whether to issue a local order to fine for non-compliance with state Covid-19 Orders No. 13, 31 and 33 as outlined in the state's orders.

Document – Email from Falmouth Town Council outlining the need for the vote
Copies of Covid-19 Orders No. 13, 31 and 33

5:15 – Vote to rescind the emergency order Regarding Personal Care Services dated March 19, 2020 issued on the Board of Health's behalf and then voted by the Board of Health on April 27, 2020

All such entities are subject to the states non-essential order from March and is now a part of the State's phased reopening program. The Health Agent has rescinded the order and needs the Board to as well.

TOBACCO

5:20 – Review of state tobacco regulations

New state tobacco regulations go into effect today, June 1, 2020. The Board will be reviewing both the current local and new state regulations. The Board will discuss whether to develop revised local regulations that mesh with the new state regulations.

GENERAL BUSINESS

6:00 – Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2020

Our Mission

The mission of the Falmouth Board of Health is to protect and promote the health, safety and well-being of residents and visitors of the Town of Falmouth. The primary functions of the Board of Health to achieve our mission are to: prevent and control disease, enforce state and local regulations, promulgate local health regulations, identify and protect from environmental hazards, and advocate for a healthy community.

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