

**Minutes**  
**Northfield Board of Health**  
**September 27, 2023**  
**6:00 PM**  
**Northfield Town Hall**  
**69 Main Street, Northfield, MA**  
**Board of Health Office 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**

**Call to Order:** 6:03

**Quorum Established:** David Balk, Ruth Potee, Kathie Bridges, Ali Wahlstrom  
Also in attendance - Pam Veith, Board Secretary; Tom Walker, Andrea Llamas, Stacy Bond

**Business:**

- David let the board members know of Title V training available to any Board member
- Old Files from the previous Eastern Franklin County Health District (EFCHD) will continue to be kept at Erving Town Hall. David went to pick up and was told it would be helpful to our agents having those files/documents in their office. It was also stated that the number of files is minimum and does not require much space. David agreed. Board was also in agreement.
- David met with Lisa White and was told that the Federal Government will again be providing Covid tests. These are expected to be available mid-October.
- Franklin County Regional Council of Governments is alerting on the need to test more for Hepatitis C.
- Tom Walker came to meeting for a copy of the septic plan for 74 Highland Avenue. This house number had previously been 44 Highland Avenue when the septic system was installed. Tom reported that they are in the process of checking depth of the sewer pipe for gravity. Owner's addition is on hold until sewer connection has been completed.
- Board discussed possible noise level testing in areas of town. These tests are very expensive to perform, and the town does not have the amount of money at this time required for such tests. Kathie checked and we have not had any prior noise level tests done in the past. There are hours in the Town's by-laws concerning noise. Ali states, and the Board unanimously agreed, that our current regulations are adequate.

**Review and Approval of Minutes:**

- September 13, 2023 Minutes- approved

**Citizen's Concerns:**

- None

**Permit Applications:**

- Temporary Food Permit – Chapincito - approved
- Special Event Permit- MIAA XC Triathlon Meet - approved
- Septic System Repair- 50 South Mountain Road – approved – Kathie abstained

**Reports:**

- Assorted septic pumping reports- reviewed

**Items Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair within 48 Hours:**

- Andrea Llamas, Town Administrator, had been contacted by Christian Boysden. The septic system permit for the Pierson Road campground has a condition that written permission for connecting to the Granden Water District be received prior to installation. Since this new water district is not fully completed, current owner of the water company is East Northfield Water Company. Board to discuss at next meeting.



- Ruth asked that the Board revisit where the Opiate Settlement Money is being utilized. She suggested some should be used educating people. Board asked that we have the information from the last time this topic came up available for the next meeting.

Adjourn: 6:59 pm

Next Meeting October 11, 2023

Al D Wohlsch

Kathryn J. Bridges

David C. Ball