



**Board of Health
Town of Southwick**

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January 6, 2022 Minutes

Hybrid meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance: Thomas FitzGerald, Interim Health Director
Susan Brzoska, Jean Nilsson, Mikenzie Cain

There was no public comment.

Minutes from the December 16, 2021 meeting were approved with minor corrections.

Health Director's report:

- The 3400 Covid-19 Antigen testing kits from the federal government were distributed to: Senior Center, Police and Fire Departments, Town Hall, Open Pantry, Public Library, School Superintendent's Office, DPW and various churches. The BOH is looking into options for buying Covid-19 Antigen testing kits in bulk to distribute to the public.
- Housing complaint at 810 College Highway – people living in a trailer in the back yard. Junk and debris. The residents did not apply for a temporary housing permit. The BOH issued a violation notice.
- Housing inspection at 16 Congamond Road – rubbish and junk in the backyard. Property owned by the Southwick Housing Authority. Property has been cleaned.
- The following are final septic system sign offs:
 - 18 Shagbark
 - 2 Silver Grass
 - 8 Silver Grass
 - 51 Hastings Road
 - 264 Feeding Hills Road
- A final septic system inspection was performed at Lot 6 House #36 Mort Vining Road.
- A food service inspection was performed at Red's Café (formerly Red Riding Hood's basket).
- A pool inspection at Wilderness Experience was conducted.
- The new owners of Sodom Mountain Campground will be reviewing the present septic system plans.

Mr. FitzGerald revised the job description for the Health Director's position. The BOH voted in favor of the changes.

Jessica Pelley has been working on issuing the BOH permits for 2022. She will submit a list of delinquent businesses (no payment, missing Serv Safe or Choke Saving certifications).

Mr. FitzGerald will ask for more information about the Senior Partnership program in Springfield. There is a possibility that the program will help the BOH hire a part time secretary.