

Shutesbury Board of Health
June 17, 2026, 7 pm
Virtual meeting

Members present: Catherine Hilton, chair; Norene Pease (beginning 7:45), Wm Levine, Arleen Read, Garrett Simonsen. Guest: Claire Pless, member-elect.

Actions taken:

Minutes of June 3 meeting accepted unanimously (motion: Garrett, second: Wm).

45 Plaza Road well permit application approved.

Septic system repair 760 Pratt Corner Rd. Board unanimously agreed to authorize Cat to issue the permit when all requirements are met, i.e., review by the collaborative and fee for the perc test last year (motion: Wm, second: Arleen).

Discussion:

Arleen reported on the question of soil evaluation for a potential new Jewish cemetery on Leverett Road. The soil evaluator, Steve Mabee (formerly state geologist according to Claire), has asked how many deep holes are required; we don't know. Garrett suggested talking with Andrew Kelly of DEP. Board agreed that probably the wetlands delineation should come first.

Cat reported on her meeting with the Eastern Franklin County Health Partnership, at which she announced our intention to withdraw from the partnership as of Annual Town Meeting 2027. A health agent search has been initiated. At an upcoming meeting in July there will be discussion of freeing up the funds Shutesbury would normally pay to Erving so they can be redirected to Greenfield.

Cat nominated herself to continue as the Board of Health representative on the Lake Wyola Advisory Committee; Arleen seconded. Unanimously in favor.

Wm reported that apparently there is some action on 56 Wendell Road coming from the Select Board.

Norene was thanked for her years of service on the board, and a party promised.

Adjourn 8:05