

TOWN of HINGHAM

BOARD of HEALTH

Board of Health Public Meeting

02/04/26

A posted public meeting of the Town of Hingham, Board of Health (the Board), was held via zoom @ 7:07pm.

This meeting was held remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 and all other applicable laws temporarily amending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law.

Members Present

Elizabeth Eldredge, M.D., Chairperson

Rosemary Byrne, N.P., Member (joined the Zoom meeting at 7:21pm)

Mark Lundin, Member

Staff Present

Susan Sarni, Executive Health Officer

Elizabeth Nee, Health Agent

Public Meeting Minutes

The Board reviewed the drafted meeting minutes of January 7, 2026.

Thereafter, a motion was made by, Mr. Lundin, seconded by Dr. Eldredge and VOTED (roll call); **to approve the Public Meeting Minutes from January 7, 2026.**

Members in favor: Lundin, Eldredge

Members opposed: none

Items for Vote

Proposed Septic System for 1154 Main St., Hingham, MA

Representative for the Applicant: Mr. Colin McSweeney, McSweeney Associates

- Mr. Colin McSweeney presented the layout of the property at 1154 Main St. and the proposed location for the upgrade for the septic system. This property borders wetlands and a tributary to surface water supply. The proposed system will be a Singulair and Geomat system.
- There are 8 variances that are being requested. The variance 310 CMR 15.405(1)(g) SAS to tributary to surface water supply (SWS) requires a public meeting and a vote. If the Board approves this variance then the applicant is required to bring the proposed plan to Conservation and then to Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for final approval.
- Mr. Lundin asked about the existing septic system and noted the plan shows there are not a lot of alternative locations.
- Dr. Eldredge asked about the 18ft from the property line and if moving the SAS towards the property line would that make much of a difference environmentally?
- Mr. Colin McSweeney explained that the location of the proposed system was designed due to the property's topography and the best location for the system. If they were to slide it in the direction suggested by Dr. Eldredge it would not decrease the concern environmentally, specifically to the surface water supply.

Elizabeth Nee, Health Agent

Documents reviewed during the Public Meeting:

- *BOH of Health Meeting Agenda*
- *Board of Health Public Meeting Minutes dated 01/0726*
- *Application for Disposal System Construction Permit for 1154 Main Street, Hingham, MA*
- *Copy of Proposed Septic System for 1154 Main Street, Hingham, MA*
- *Application for a Variance/Divergence for 1154 Main Street, Hingham, MA*