

**TOWN OF SHEFFIELD
BOARD OF HEALTH
OCTOBER 10, 2023
TOWN HALL FIRST FLOOR MEETING ROOM
5:30 PM
MEETING MINUTES**

Members Present: Pat Levine, Chair
Scott Smith
Eileen Clarke
Todd Ranolde

Members Absent: Joshua Webb

Others Present: Rene C. Wood, Chairman of the Conservation Commission
Ted Pitman, Conservation Commission

Members of the Public

Chair Levine called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Meet with Conservation Commission Regarding Discussion of Map and Text Associated with Adoptee Scenic Mountain Act Regulations:

Discussion began on the map and text associated with the Scenic Mountain Act regulations. The Chair Levine asked if any of the board members had comments or questions. There were none. T. Pitman briefly introduced the topic. R. Wood followed with a more complete discussion of the topic. There was discussion from the board regarding the regulation putting an undue burden on homeowners and some confusion between the act that had been approved in 1975 and the regulations and whether the town had had sufficient opportunity to discuss these regulations.

A member of public Jim Kelly objected to the elevation at which the regulations take effect and the angle of incline calculations.

A member of the public Jeff Collingwood was likewise concerned about the elevation and felt it would better serve the town if it varied by location, somewhat similar to how Great Barrington had applied its regulations.

A member of the public S. Butler expressed concern regarding enforcement as well as questioning how elevations and other decisions had been arrived at.

There was discussion between the Board and various speakers but there was no action taken on this matter. Board members were encouraged to attend future hearings on the act, and it was recommended by E. Clarke that such meetings be well advertised.

Hearing: Variance Request for Septic System Upgrade at 259 Salisbury Road:

The Board opened the hearing for the request for a variance for a septic system upgrade at 259 Salisbury Road. The Board does not consider this a hearing and there were no members of the public present.

S. Smith moved to approve the variance, seconded by T. Ranolde. The motion carried unanimously.

E. Clarke moved to approve the minutes from September 19, 2023, seconded by Chair Levine. The motion carried unanimously.

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Review/Discussion Mail: The Board reviewed the mail.

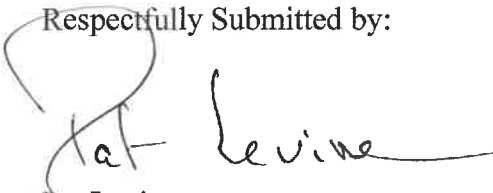
Board Members Items:

Chair Levine read a short description of the importance of open access to information as key to the rapid development of the COVID vaccines. She also noted that she had placed an order for 5 cases of COVID test kits which would be distributed through the Library and the Senior Center and noted that because they were supplied by the state, they could be given to Sheffield residents and those from other communities. E. Clarke suggested some be provided to Town Hall as well.

E. Clarke made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Chair Levine.. The motion passed unanimously

Chair Levine adjourned the meeting at 6:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pat Levine". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first part of the signature, "Pat", is more compact and stylized, while "Levine" is written with more distinct, connected letters. The signature is positioned to the right of the text "Respectfully Submitted by:".

Pat Levine
Board of Health Chair

Documents reviewed at the meeting:
Scenic Mountain Act Regulations and Maps
Variance Application
Minutes