Town of Wendell

Notice of Meetings of Town Boards and Committees As required by the Open Meeting Law/M.G.L. Ch. 30A Sec. 18-25

Board or Committee: <u>Board of Health</u>
Date: <u>8/7/2024</u> Time: <u>5:30 PM</u>

<u>Location: Zoom and in-person</u>
Date of Posting: <u>8/1/2024</u>
Posted by: <u>Sarah Robertson</u>

This meeting will be conducted via Zoom and in person at the Town Offices.

Agenda

New Business:

- Attend to mail and new business not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours
- Review Notices

Unfinished Business:

• Public Hearing: BOH Proposed Regulations for Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)

The Wendell Board of Health will hold a hearing at 9 Morse Village Road in Wendell on 8/7/2024 at 5:30 pm concerning the adoption of regulations for Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) pursuant to MGL Ch. 111, Sec. 31. The hearing will be held at the Wendell Town Office and a remote access link will be listed on the Town of Wendell website.

Following is a summary of the regulations:

The draft regulations cover the authority of the Board of Health and the findings that the Board used to define the purpose of regulating BESS, with an emphasis on protecting public health, safeguarding private drinking water supplies, and protection of public safety and the environment. The definitions and general requirements, annual permit requirements, standards of operation, emergency operations plan, procedures for inspection(s), hazard mitigation analysis, hazardous materials analysis, and other criteria are listed in the regulations. The Board is also proposing the use of outside consultants, paid by the applicant, during the permitting process, and requirements for insurance and financial security, including decommissioning requirements as part of the permitting process, as well as enforcement provisions. Other more specific standards are contained in the draft regulations, a copy of which can be downloaded at the following link (www.wendell-mass.us/health-department-documents/).

Town of Wendell #2 is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6272628852?omn=86715630178

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Next Meeting Monday, August 12, 5:30 PM