

To: Advisory Board Members
Re: Zoom meeting February 16, 2021, 1pm - 2pm

Supervisor Strough said that he and attorney Leah Everhart would be composing an email to Advisory Board members that would outline some of the questions raised as they worked on a draft local law document.

John will plan a Zoom meeting in the next two weeks after we've had the chance to think about the items posed in their email. Here are a few of the items discussed yesterday.

BIG PICTURE QUESTIONS

1. GOALS

We need to decide what we want. Is our ultimate goal to upgrade septic systems that are not compliant or simply to insure that systems are functioning and not failing.

A "Functioning" standard already exists in the transfer law. Does it make sense to keep the same standard?

What does "functioning" mean

Would we want to add criteria for a system's distance from the lake?

2. INSPECTIONS

Who does them? (Dave Hatin and his team can do inspections. Cost is \$275.)

Who pays for them?

Who schedules them?

Who keeps track of the paperwork? (Town employees can not absorb these tasks)

What schedule would we use for inspections...every three years, every nine years

Will we accept an inspection report from another qualified inspector?

What standards would a system have to meet in order to pass and what happens if a system "fails"

Dave Hatin volunteered to go over the town inspection process with the board at a Zoom meeting. His team uses a 40+ item checklist.

3. OUTSIDE MANAGEMENT ENTITY NEEDED

Need to set priorities for this management entity. What would we want them to do first?

Costs will be handled by the district with our tax levy

John suggested putting together a RFP (request for proposal) that would outline what the district wanted initially done. He would then get feedback from different entities. (Engineering firms or individuals)

We have an existing status report that would give us a place to start. We're only looking at a portion of the systems