



**Town of Mendon
Board of Health
20 Main St. Mendon
Minutes for
January 4, 2017**

Alan Greenberg - Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Present: Tom Fichtner - BOH Member

Not Present: Chairman Andy Fiske (at Doll House)

Location – Board of Health Office– 20 Main Street, Mendon, MA 01756

The Board talked about changing the Private Well Regulations. Currently for an existing house, the Regulations only require a drawing. There is no way to know for sure if the property conforms with setback requirements, unless it is an engineered stamped plan. For new construction, an engineered plan must be submitted. Therefore, the Board is considering having a public hearing to change the Private Well Regulations.

The Board reviewed OFFAL permits for trash haulers. They decided to give those septic haulers, who use the Town of Uxbridge, until February 1st to send in a copy of their Uxbridge OFFAL permit. Normally, this paperwork is due prior to Jan. 1st. However, Uxbridge's time frame in getting their paperwork out to these haulers doesn't happen until after Jan. 1st so the BOH didn't want to impose an undo hardship simply because of a time discrepancy. The BOH has not had any issues with these haulers.

The Board also reviewed Food Permits. For those establishments who did not send in a completed application or any application at all, they would like the Health Agent (Lenny Izzo) to go and talk to them.

Tom and Alan are planning to visit all food establishments to determine if it would be of benefit to change the timeframe for when permit renewals should be due. Currently, all renewals are due at the end of each year. However, the thought that adjusting this to being done for end of May or June could help in reducing the burden on a business owner, especially during the holiday season.

Next, the Board had a brief discussion regarding the revision of Perc Test Applications. The Board reviewed what the Town of Upton uses and likes many of the formats. The Board believes that implementing a revision that would combine attributes of both Mendon & Upton's current Perc Test Application Forms would be ideal.

Next meeting will be January 11, 2017.

Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconds the motion. Both members agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Approved March 8, 2017