



**Town of Mendon  
Board of Health  
20 Main St. Mendon  
Minutes for  
March 8, 2017**

Chairman Andy Fiske called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Alan Greenberg - Vice Chairman, Tom Fichtner - BOH Member

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

Resident Anne Mazar attended the BOH meeting to talk about recycling grants. Discussions centered on different programs such as clothing drop offs, mattress and box spring pickups and additional hazardous waste days. One of the requirements for the grant would be to reduce the number of trash bags from four 30-gallon trash bags to two 30-gallon trash bags, with residents having to purchase stickers for any additional trash. The goal would be to promote recycling.

Mike Szczepan & Dan Higgins from Republic Services (Mendon's Trash Hauler/Recycler Provider) provided their insight & views regarding the present state of trash hauling & recycling. Their feeling is that Mendon currently has a very good recycling program given the excellent recycling rates the town currently receives. They pointed to the current value in dual-stream recycling (rebate to Mendon on paper tonnage), as opposed to single stream recycling.

**42 Millville Street** – Missy provided the Board the well results for 42 Millville Street & pointed to a few concerns. The owner had applied for a well permit in 2014, at which time Missy submitted a routing slip to certain departments per protocol. It was found that there were taxes owed on the property. Therefore, a well permit could not be approved. Well permits are only good for one calendar year from the time it is issued. In addition, this is considered new construction and an engineered plan should have been submitted. The well information that was submitted shows that the work was done in 2016. However, no well permit was issued for this property. The Board advised Missy to request the property owner attend the next meeting if possible to resolve the situation presented.

Next, Missy discussed changing the trash bill. She suggested adding a few lines informing residents that if the bill is not paid on time then they run the risk of having service interrupted and to remind residents that there is no late fee assessed. However, if the bill is paid late & the property has accumulated more barrels/bags than is normally allowed in a normal trash pickup then they would have to purchase trash stickers for those additional barrels/bags. The Board advised Missy to create a new "draft" version of what she would like to modify & present it to the Board at the next available meeting.

The Board reviewed a proposed new Percolation Application Form. Andy suggested a signature line be added so that whomever applies is acknowledging they have read the application &

understands the responsibilities of the applicant. Missy will make the changes and show the Board at the next meeting.

Alan made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 4, 11 and 25 of 2017. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed.

The next meeting will be March 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**Approved April 12, 2017**