

Town of Mendon Board of Health 20 Main St. Mendon Minutes for May 25, 2016

Chairman Andy Fiske called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

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

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

The first order of business was to address the annual reorganization of the Board. Tom made a motion to keep Andy Fiske as Board Chairman and to keep Alan Greenberg as Vice-Chairman for the coming year. Both individuals acknowledged the great honor bestowed on them & graciously accepted to continue in their current roles to diligently serve the residents of Mendon. All members agreed. Motion carried.

Michael Sabin of 4 Davenport Drive, along with is neighbors Ciaran O'Shaughnessy of 6 Davenport Drive and Alanna Bodio of 6 Miscoe Road, were present to discuss 126 North Avenue. Mr. Sabin had previously notified the Board of some concerns about activity at 126 North Avenue regarding the handling of manure on the property that is generated by two horses that currently reside at this address and he wanted to know what actions the Board has taken to date. One of the core concerns is the smell of manure and where they were dumping the compost with respect to property lines. Animal Inspector Max Carbone explained that he did do an inspection and at that time, he did not see anything out of place nor could he see any code violation to cite the owner. Max has been in contact with the State to review his findings to make sure he is not overlooking any aspects. At the time of Max's inspection, there was no overpowering smells that he could detect.

Max told the Board and the residents that were present that he would do a follow up inspection. He will try to work with the homeowner on manure waste management. As far as the possibility of property line violations were concerned, the Board informed the group that they do not have jurisdiction in boundary disputes. A suggestion was made to Mr. Sabin to have his land professionally surveyed to verify property lines.

Tim Aicardi of the Conservation Commission was present to see the Board on another matter. Andy asked Tim for his opinion because there are wetlands bordering these properties. Tim reviewed pictures that were taken of the area along with a Google map photo. Tim recommended to the residents that they should contact the Conservation Office and Leah (Administrative Assistant) can arrange for one of the Conservation Commissioners to investigate.

<u>151 Providence Street</u> – Tim Aicardi was present for the local upgrade request for a property he has purchased. The request is for a reduction in separation between the SAS and high

groundwater, separation reduction by 1ft. Alan made a motion to approve the request. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried.

The Board then discussed sending another letter to Bruce Roy regarding his dumpster company. They will have Lenny Izzo (Health Agent) sign the letter, as the responsibility of actionable enforcement would fall under the domain of the Health Agent.

Mendon Twin Drive-In has submitted 5 temporary food permits. The Board will require the Drive-In to list all entities on their liability insurance. They will also allow the Drive-In to use their own ServSafe Certificate for this event.

For the next agenda, Tom would like to discuss the topic of increasing the price of trash stickers. The price of trash stickers has remained the same for roughly 10 years and given adjustments in costs for services along with a focus on recycling, increasing the trash sticker price may be a prudent action.

Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.