



**Town of Mendon  
Board of Health  
20 Main St. Mendon  
Minutes for  
September 24, 2014**

Chairman Andy Fiske called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Location – Copy room of Town Hall – 20 Main Street, Mendon, MA 01756

**51 Millville Street** – The Board took no action. There was an error or misunderstanding with the Civil Site Engineering and Title V. Tom Ryder was correct in his memo of approval with this property. Since no new information was submitted to the office, the Board did not discuss the plans.

**8 Hartford Avenue West** – The Board reviewed the plans but did question a possible misprint. The plans stated five foot separation but based on Title V, four foot separation is the standard. The Board believes the architectural print is incorrect and it should be a four foot separation. Tom Ryder approved the plans as follows:

Title 5 requires that the Soil Absorption System is at least 4 feet above the estimated high groundwater table for new construction in soils with a greater than 2 minute per inch perc rate; a 3 foot offset is allowed for repairs under the Local Upgrade Approval from the Board of Health. The applicant is requesting a 3 foot offset from the estimated high groundwater table

As this is a repair, and the site limitations make it not possible to upgrade all system in the area to Title 5 new construction standards, I am recommending approval of the Local Upgrade Requests as provided.

Tom Fichtner made a motion approving the local upgrade as requested as long as Missy confirms with Tom Ryder that the variance is intended to go from 4ft. separation to 3ft. separation as opposed to going from 5ft. to 3ft. All second the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried.

**8 Hartford Avenue West** – The Board received a septic loan application. The Board reviewed the application. The applicant, Randy Smith, was in attendance and did have all the proper paperwork. Randy asked the Board if they could also add the cost of additional fill to make the driveway more esthetically pleasing to the system. Andy explained that the loan is only for costs directly related to the replacement of the septic system, so the Board would not be able to allow that request. Alan made a motion to approve the loan in the amount of \$22,574.00. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the application for a temporary food permit submitted by Fiesta Shows, which will be attending the Blackstone Valley Carnival at the Mendon Drive-In this weekend. Upon review of the insurance coverage documents, it was noted that the vendor did not appear to have either workers' comp or liability coverage. Historically, temporary food permits have not required these items. Upon further discussion, the Board concluded that, moving forward, any issuance of a temporary food permit will require vendors to provide proof of workers' compensation & liability insurance coverage. In this case, the temporary food permit for Fiesta Shows was approved due to the limited time available to adjust. To note, these insurance guidelines are currently required of brick and mortar businesses serving food regularly in Mendon.

Tom made a motion to approve the minutes for July 23<sup>rd</sup>, August 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> and September 10<sup>th</sup>. Alan seconds the motion. All members agreed with exception of August 20<sup>th</sup> Andy was not present so he abstains. Motion carried.

The Board asked Missy if there were any updates on 35 Milford Street and she told them nothing that she is aware of.

The Board will meet again on October 8<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

**Approved October 19, 2014**