



**Town of Mendon
Board of Health
20 Main St. Mendon
Minutes for
December 15, 2016**

Chairman Andy Fiske called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

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

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

Tom F. asked Town Administer Kim Newman to attend the BOH meeting, with the goal of improving communications & assisting in addressing any concerns brought to Kim's attention. Kim started by discussing the plans to move the BOH office, along with other offices, to the bottom half of the old Taft Library. The goal is to create an Inspectional Services Department to better assist residents thru improved customer service. Kim noted that this did not imply that existing customer service is bad but did note an example related to difficulty in servicing residents seeking trash stickers during a time when the BOH Sr. Administrative Assistant (Missy) was out sick for a week. Missy explained that when she knows she is going to be out, she makes arraignments with the Administrative Assistant (Gail) in the Building Department. If both Missy & Gail are out sick, then there would be no one in Town Hall to sell trash stickers. There was some discussion about making trash stickers more available, such as selling them on-line.

70 Uxbridge Road – Tom Vitalini, property owner of 70 Uxbridge Road and Fred Lapham of 76 Uxbridge Road came before the Board to discuss the Well Application for 70 Uxbridge Road. The Vitalini's told Mr. Lapham of their plans to locate a new well on their property since the two lots are so tight. The Vitalini's current well is high in sodium and is an old hand dug well. Mr. Lapham asked if the owners could move the well over 10 feet from the property line. Mr. Lapham has concerns about being able to address his septic system when it is time for him to install a new one. The concerns centered around having proper & acceptable distances to work with, as there is also a concern about a storm drain located nearby. After much discussion, the Board decided that a Board Member would go out to the site tomorrow, with the two parties, to perform measurements and assess alternatives.

58 Millville Street – A local upgrade request for reduction in separation between the SAS and high ground water, 3 feet requested. Alan made the motion. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be January 4, 2017

Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Approved March 8, 2017