



**Town of Mendon
Board of Health
18 Main St. Mendon
Minutes for
June 26, 2019**

Andy Fiske, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Alan Greenberg -Vice Chairman, Tom Fichtner - BOH Member, Raymond Zook
Michael Marchand, Michael Marchand, II and Michael Szczepan

Location – Board of Health Office– 18 Main Street, Mendon, MA 01756

26 Northbridge Street – Raymond Zook, property owner for 26 Northbridge Street, came in to speak to the Board about his property. A new well has to be installed because the existing one is too close to the septic system. He showed a plan to the Board, which Missy will send to Tom Ryder for his review. Looking at the plan, the Board wanted to know the location of the septic system at 24 and 21 Northbridge Street, as well as 71 Washington Street. They need the engineer to verify the locations of those septic systems before the Board can issue a Well Permit. Andy has been in contact with the Building Inspector (Tim Aicardi) regarding the number of bedrooms in the house. Andy and Tim will do an inspection to verify that number.

Marchand Septic – Michael Marchand, II came to talk with the Board about his OFFAL permit. His father Michael Marchand accompanied him. They showed the final paperwork that the Board requested. They issued a 2019 OFFAL permit.

E. L. Harvey and Sons – Mike Szczepan came before the Board to discuss the option of an addendum to the contract. This would allow the truck that services Mendon to dump at the Harvey facility in Westborough instead of waiting in lines for hours up at Wheelabrator. The trash would be dumped in Westborough in a dumpster and would be trucked up later. There would be no additional cost to the Town. The Towns' of Milford and Hopedale have already agreed. The Board asked Missy to send this along to Counsel for review, after which the Board will make a determination.

Alan made a motion to approve the addendum to the Harvey contract as long as Town Counsel approves it. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed.

Tom also brought up another subject regarding trash. The week our driver Phil went on vacation there was a lot of missed or delayed trash pickups. Missy had forwarded a voicemail to the Board and Mike from a very upset resident. Mike went out personally to make sure the residents' trash and recycling was picked up. Tom called the resident to talk thru the concerns with him. During the conversation, the topic of being able to provide a trash bill discount to those who are on a fixed income due to disability. The Board then discussed this topic.

One of the elements discussed was to how best to create such a program to be sure the requirements are well-founded and fair to all. It was noted that our Trash Program is financially supported by subscribers so the cost of applied discounts to particular groups does fall back upon

the other subscribers to support such discounts, as is with the Senior Discount program. The Board tabled making any decision this evening but will revisit the topic again, as helping the residents where they can is desirable.

Next, the topic of the Simply Recycling contract was presented. Alan made a motion to approve the Simply Recycling contract. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried. The Board signed the contract, which will be at no additional cost to the residents.

Next, Andy wanted to let the others know of a situation regarding 24 Taft Avenue. He received a complaint from Fred Kelley who lives at 22 Taft Avenue. Mr. Kelley told Andy that he had seen rats coming from 24 Taft Avenue. Andy and Health Agent Lenny Izzo did an inspection and found no evident of rats.

Next meeting will be July 10, 2019.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alan seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Approved October 9, 2019

