

Town of Mendon Board of Health 18 Main St. Mendon Minutes for March 7, 2019

Andy Fiske, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Present: Alan Greenberg Vice Chairman Tom Fichtner - BOH Member, Max Carbone Animal Inspector

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

Andy went on a call to 77 Park Street with Detective Blanchett. There are concerns about the animals on this property. They don't appear to be mistreated but concerned that the animals are being kept in the barn or garage attached to the house. Andy asked Max (BOH Animal Inspector) to attend the meeting to talk about the situation. Max has gone to this property about 3 or 4 times since last May. Neighbors are concerned about the animals but there were not violations that Max could act on. Missy explained that she had gone on an inspection with Lenny and Lenny did not find any violations either. There may be Building Code violations but not Health Code. Max looked to see if he could find any by-laws or regulations prohibiting farm animals from being kept in either an attached garage or barn to a dwelling but he was unable to find one in this area. He will continue to search for one.

The Board discussed the Fincom Meeting. Missy, Tom and Alan attended the meeting. Missy went over the budget with the Fincom. The only request she made was to take the Hazardous Waste Day budget out of the Trash Disposal line item and make it a separate line item. The Fincom did not have a quorum so they could not vote on the measure but based on the responses of those in attendance, they would support this action if asked by the Selectmen.

Missy talked to the Board about a possible Municipal Shred Day. This would be one day that Harvey would bring in their shred truck and allow municipal departments to shred any unwanted documents. She talked to Mike Szczepan about the possibility and Mike said he would talk to Harvey. This event would be in the fall during regular business hours.

<u>Marchand Septic</u> – Missy did talk with a representative from DEP and Town Counsel regarding Marchand Septic. She also informed the Board of the records that Mr. Marchand had requested, which were provided. Her recommendation to the Board is to meet with Town Counsel in person and invite Marchand Septic. The Board agreed. They asked her to contact counsel as to when she would be available to attend a meeting. The Board also asked Missy to compile a time line of events regarding Marchand Septic's past history.

The Board then went on to talk about modifying their requirements for a Hauler's Permit. They discussed the possibility of requiring Business Certificates, Vehicle Registrations and copies of Commercial Drivers License (CDL). Missy explained that in theory it was a great idea but some

companies have hundreds of employees and many trucks. So, we could have 200 copies of Commercial Drivers Licenses or multiple truck registrations. The more discussion that the Board had the more they realized it might not be practical and needed more thought. Missy reminded them that at the last meeting they did vote to require Septic Haulers to provide a copy of their CDL.

Alan made a motion to rescind their vote from the February 20, 2019 meeting regarding the CDL requirement for Septic Haulers. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried.

Missy did bring up to the Board about changing the Installer and Hauler Applications regarding mailing address. She asked the Board if they could change the applications to reflect a business address and a mailing address. Currently the food establishment applications have both mailing address and establishment address. The Board did not see a problem with this change.

Next meeting is expected to be when Town Counsel is available.

Alan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconds the motion. All members agreed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.