



**Town of Mendon
Board of Health
18 Main St. Mendon
Minutes for
November 28, 2018**

Andy Fiske, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Alan Greenberg Vice Chairman Tom Fichtner - BOH Member

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

Simply Recycling – Steve Lisauskas from Waste Zero came to talk about a company called Simply Recycling. Simply Recycling will send out two mailers to residents in town. The first mailer will introduce the service they will offer to residents. The second mailer would contain 2 pink trash bags. These bags will be used to pick up textile-based items such as clothing, blankets, pillows, backpacks and other small items. A small truck will come on the same day as recycling to pick up these bags. There is no cost to the town. In fact, the Town will receive \$20.00 per ton that is collected.

The Board asked what happens to these items that are collected. Steve explained there are 4 steps:

1. They first look for any trash or unsuitable textiles that cannot be processed.
2. Thrift stores are given the opportunity to look to see if there are any items they would like to sell at their stores.
3. Items not wanted and items in need of repair will be sent to other countries. They would be repaired and sold in that country.
4. The remaining items are ground up and recycled into insulation.

If the Board wishes to start this service, it would be open to all residents of Mendon not just those who participate in the trash program and the service would not start until March 2019.

Next, the Board asked Missy to get some dates for the Household Hazardous Waste Day from Clean Harbors. They also want Missy to contact Mike Merolli, Chairman of the Finance Committee to see if he can attend the Board's next meeting. The next meeting will be December 20th at 6:00 p.m.

The Board agreed to send a letter to D & F Afonso Building regarding their Septic Installer Permit. The Board wishes to address the company's habit of directly calling BOH Health Agent Lenny Izzo for a septic inspection instead contacting the BOH Office directly. The concern centers around the "void" created by circumventing the BOH Office, which then develops into an issue with the communication & planning processes.

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 December 20, 2018