



Hubbardston Board of Health

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Meeting Minutes

Board of Health Library Conference Room May 12, 2020 at 6:30pm Zoom Meeting

Attendance:

Cathy Hansgate- Chair
Bill Hommans –Vice Chair
Vin Ritchie-Member
Colleen Higgins-Member
Kate Saab-Member
Mallory Seamon-Admin

Guest: Police Chief Perron

Agenda re-ordered to allow for guest

BOH and Police Practical Collab –Chief of Police stated that the Hubbardston Police will not be issuing tickets over non-compliance of masks. If an Officer comes in contact with someone who is not wearing a mask in a situation where they should be the PD will provide them a mask in lieu of tickets. PD is taking the approach of providing support rather than penalties is the way to go in on this situation. Police department also thinks that the BOH should be the driving force. Vin makes motion to accept Chiefs proposal Cathy second... all in favor

Review Last Minutes 4/28/2020- Minutes were review Vin move to approve Cathy seconded all in favor. **Motion Passed**

COVID 19 Update-As of right now we have one active case of Covid 19, Hubbardston has done a great job of keeping numbers down. We were able to get a supply of PPE which will be kept for office reopening and use for first responders.

Failed Systems awaiting action:

10 Main St- Still no update awaiting estimates and application for title five loan
30 Main St- Waiting for application for installation

Passed Title V: Nothing new

Permits/Items to be signed: nothing new

Open repairs or Inspections and plans in Review:

75 Barre Rd- Cathy witnessed perc, perc passed, and we awaiting plans from engineer
59 Brigham St-Cathy witnessed perc test awaiting plans from engineer

106 Old Princeton Rd –Plans were submitted for new build house, Matt Hopkinson will be reviewing.

Open Complaints:

Hubb House mask complaint- Mallory received a phone call and email from resident concerned with the non-compliance and cleanliness of the HubHouse living quarters. Mallory emailed property manager Liz Tatro who assured that all precautions are being taken to keep residents safe. Mallory advised the BOH is here to answer any questions that anyone may have.

111 Gardner Rd-Reviewed letter in regards to trash and debris in the yard. OK to send

85 Gardner Rd- Reviewed letter in regards to camper on property which is assumed to be used as living quarters. After some discussion working of letter was changed to state “Call us to discuss we ensure safe and sanitary living conditions, and are looking forward to working with you. Mallory will update and send out

MPHN Nurses Report:

Covid 19 update- One active case at this time. Sandy Knipe working for Hubbardsto as MPHN nurse.

Old Business:

Food Inspections- Inspections to resume once state starts to open. Kate asked that we get a couple new thermometers for food inspections, Bill suggested that we look for ones with probes on bottom. Cathy will send Mallory info on the model that the BOH currently has.

Trash Hauler –on hold

Landfill Testing- Testing was completed to satisfy spring testing in hopes of a reduced testing schedule. Cathy asked to be present when testing took place, she was at testing site for appointment and inspector was not here. Turns out there was a communication error and test was completed earlier in the day. Next time we will ask again to be present or video be recorded at the next testing appointment.

Recycle Center – Cathy spoke with electrician who seemed to think his hands were tied with deed info. Kate made mention of running power via solar and will take a look at solar panel bring info to next meeting. Bella needs assistants two of them, Mallory will reach out to Ryan to get ads posted. Kate suggested that we reach out to Quabbin to see if we can take on senior or two to help count towards senior community service which is a requirement for graduation.

New Business:

Failed T5 protocol discussed policy and repercussion of failure to comply, proposed policy to state

1. All Title 5 inspections must be performed by MassDEP approved individuals
2. All Title 5 inspection must be reported to the Hubbardston Board of Health within 30 days of the inspection.
3. In the event that a septic system fails or conditionally passes a Title 5 inspection the owner of the system or his representative will appear before the Board of Health at a scheduled meeting

within 60 days from the date of the inspection, and bring to the Board an Action Plan and a timetable for their approval to upgrade, repair, or replace the system. The owner of the system and the Board of Health will sign an enforceable agreement based on the Action Plan designed to rectify the problem and situation within the shortest period of time possible.

4. Failure to comply with Mass State Sanitary code and requirements will result in reporting to DEP direct.

Cathy made motion to accept seconded by Bill all in favor Motion passed.

Budget spreadsheet-reviewed ok to proceed.

Unexpected Subjects:

52 Chicopee Dr: Bill Homans brought item to table stated that there is a person who may be living in camper as well as building an illegal cabin. Mallory stated ZEO Roland Jean has been to site vehicle is unregistered he feels that the police should be ticketing based on town by law on un-registered vehicles.

Cathy made motion to adjourn Seconded by Vin all in favor meeting Adjourned @7:50 PM