

January 30, 2018 Hubbardston Board of Health Minutes

Meeting called to order 7:06 pm. Attendance included: Lucinda Oates, Bill Homans, Cathy Hansgate, Kate Saab.

Bill Homans motioned to table December 19th minutes reading/approval until the next meeting, as Health clerk, Cricket, had not typed them. Motion seconded by Lucinda. Motion approved. Cathy Hansgate volunteered to type December's and tonight's minutes. Lucinda will type up 1+ years of minutes from 2016, on recorder, that had not been done by the most recent clerk (that were still outstanding).

Board of Health clerk, Cricket Bolduc, tendered her resignation on Jan. 18th and it was accepted on Monday, Jan. 22,. Lucinda reported she has already placed ads for the position and received 8 resumes. Discussion followed about the BOH being involved with hiring the next clerk, as this did not happen with prior clerk hirings.

Review of BOH budget for 2018; Lucinda reported that she is continuing to work with the town to get the bookkeeping corrected – meeting with accountant later this week.

Jim Talvy from Casella Organics did not come to tonight's meeting. Not known if he was or wasn't contacted.

James McMahon, who was to provide information on Outdoor Cannabis Cultivation tonight - did not come. Not known if he was contacted or not.

Update on 27A Old Colony inspection was given by Bill Homans. They had requested another visit. Bill and Cathy had made the visit on Friday, Jan. 5th. Bill's report was sent to Cricket but not typed. Lucinda said she would get it typed up and copy sent to the renters.

Two Title 5's reviewed: (both passed by engineer)

52 Birches Rd.

48 Hale Rd.

Additional food permits approved and signed:

Hubbardston Rod & Gun

Rietta Ranch

Ladybug Farm Produce

Hubbardston One Stop (Mr. Mike's) - ??

Giancomo's Gourmet Granola

(added to last month's: Hubbardston Market, Hubbardston Center School)

Lucinda plans to contact 12 other open food permit participants as deadline for filing is tomorrow. Lucinda asked members to help her get the BOH work caught up. Cathy H. and Bill H. volunteered to do food site inspections. Cathy H. made motion that food inspections be done in February, and September this year. Seconded by Lucinda, and motion approved.

Septic Installer/Hauler Permits Approved and signed:

Allain Sitework, Inc.

Residential/commercial refuse collection permits approved & signed:

Republic Services, Inc.

Wind River Environmental Septic Hauler

BOH is supposed to get reports from our trash haulers on amounts of items recycled Lucinda reported. She will contact them for this information , as it is needed for grant applications for such things as having a roll-on for accepting mattresses & furniture at the recycling center.

Post-Closure Landfill Environmental Monitoring Report (Fall 2017) , New Templeton Road Sanitary Landfill. Report review to be tabled until next meeting per motion made by Bill H. and seconded by Lucinda ,and approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bill Homans reported that Ernie N. was visited since last meeting and Bill saw that the complaint of poor conditions have been resolved.

Lucinda will confirm that the 2017 failed septic on Main St. had not been fixed (none known) and will send them a letter siting the need to have repairs made promptly and the consequences if repairs are not made.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kate Saab agreed to serve on the BOH, and volunteered to do updating of forms and other computer assistance. Bill nominated her for filling one of our vacancies, Cathy seconded . She was voted in unanimously. Lucinda will bring her name to the Selectman so that she can be sworn in before the next meeting.

248 Gardner Rd. – complaint received from renter. Lucinda spoke with renter, who indicated that he/she had not talked with the landlord. It was discovered that there is a landlord/renter court problem involved, but not a public health issue at this time. No further action currently needed.

Lucinda stated that in addition to BOH needing a new clerk, she has requested 2 seniors for filing under the work-off program, and one helper is needed at the recycling Center for one Saturday a month from April – November. (\$10/hr.)

Lucinda will call Travis at the town's DPW to help repair electrical issues at the recycling building before it opens this Spring.

Lucinda reported we did get a grant for composting bins (to be sold at recycling center) for town's people.

Lastly, Lucinda has invited Judy O'Donnell to our Feb. 13th meeting to give us help with emergency plans/practices we need to complete.

Bill made motion to adjourn meeting at 8:43pm. Seconded by Lucinda Oates.

Minutes submitted by Cathy Hansgate, Feb. 5, 2018

approved 2/13/18
Lucinda Oates