



BOARD OF HEALTH

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August 8, 2023 Minutes for Hubbardston Board of Health
Meeting time: 700 pm
Meeting location: Slade Building, 7 Main St., Hubbardston, MA

- 1) Call to order at 7:04 pm. This meeting is broadcast and recorded live.
 - a. Attendees:
 - i. Cathy Hansgate, Chair (Via Zoom)
 - ii. Laurie DeMalia
 - iii. Judie O'Donnell
 - iv. Liz Putelis
 - v. Nancy Perron (for minutes)
 - vi. Donald Foster, resident
- 2) Review and approval of 7/25/2023 meeting minutes with correction on 3f (change the word Link to Connections)
 - a. Judie motioned to approve minutes
 - b. Liz seconded
 - c. All in favor
- 3) Covid 19/Flu/Maven update
 - a. Judie had an update on Cyclospora There has been an increase of cases of Cyclospora in Massachusetts. There were 207 cases in 2019. Those cases dropped to 20-30 cases in 2020, 2021, 2022 which is a normal count. This year cases were up to 59 cases. Remind people to wash fruits and vegetables. It may be worth putting out a notice to wash vegetables/fruits before eating. Judie mentioned that children are being vaccinated for Hep B & Hep A. Laurie heard there is an increase in Covid cases. There are a lot more positive results. There will be a jump in September. Laurie contacted Victoria at MPH N regarding the vaccination clinic. Victoria offered weekdays or afternoons but school days will not work. Could MPH N provide vaccine if BOH runs the clinic? Judie suggested maybe through CHC. Laurie would rather stay connected with the state. Cathy mentioned if you test positive for Covid you can reach out to the Mass hotline 833-273-6330 or Mass.gov and pick Telehealth, click on Covid, fill out questionnaire and submit. Someone will call you back within 20 minutes. Five (5) days of isolation for Covid; same as for flue or RSV. Cathy will set up a table at Field Day and pass flyers out. The BOH still has free test kits available.
- 4) Title V Reports/Perc Tests
 - a. 118 New Westminster Road – Passes and signed off
 - b. 17 Natty Brook Road – Conditionally Passes and reviewed by BOH
- 5) Water Tests/Well completion forms
 - a. DCR Central Region water reports for 7/26/23, 7/28/23, 8/2/23, 8/4/23
 - b. Cushman Pond Variance approval letter
 - c. Cushman Pond water test for 8/3/23
 - d. 40 Healdville Road – Bacteria (Total Coliform-Present) Property owner does know he needs a test with clear results before BOH signs off. Cathy suggests a whole house water filter system
 - e. 142 New Westminster Road – Bacteria (Total Coliform – Present), new test dated 8/7/23 has both absent, ok'ed by BOH
- 6) Waste Water Tests - None
- 7) Permits to be voted on/signed
 - a. R.J. McDonald – Installer Permit signed off

- b. Sawyer's Farm – Temporary Food Permit signed off
 - c. Samuel Harvey, Integrity Site Development – Installer Permit signed off
- 8) Open septic plans/Engineering plans review
 - a. 27 Mayo Road – Reviewed by Phil L on 7/31/2023 and approved by BOH
- 9) Sheds/Pool/Garages approved by Phil Leger - None
- 10) Old Business:
 - a. Nursing position – Hold off until August 22, 2023
 - b. 5 Navajo – Septic and Building permits still on hold
- 11) New Business
 - a. Letter sent to Pamela Masters stating Cathy Hansgate will be the representative for voting purposes. Cathy is the emergency contact person. She will not need to attend the meetings. Every region is required to have a PHEP Committee in Massachusetts. Cathy has asked Judie to forward minutes to her as she is not getting them.
 - b. Unexpected subjects - None
- 12) Complaints
- 13) Turnovers/Warrants for approval/Financial Reports
 - a. W 4 – Added Mass Association of Health Board \$150.00
 - i. Cathy motioned to approve W-4 A/P with the added amount of \$150.00
 - b. Turnover FY24-1 \$870.00 Reviewed
 - c. No Coast Kitchen – new check received
- 14) Next meeting date (Tuesday, August 22 at 7:00 pm meeting in Slade Building
- 15) Adjournment at 8:23
 - a. All in favor