Board of Health Meeting Regular Meeting Minutes September 19, 2019

The Hopedale Board of Health held a regular meeting on Thursday, September 19, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., in the Draper Room, Hopedale Town Hall, 78 Hopedale Street, Hopedale, MA. Those in attendance included: Jason MacDonald, Walter Swift, and Donald Howes. The meeting was videotaped.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. MacDonald called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m., noting that all members were present

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting: August 15, 2019

It was moved by Mr. Howes, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 15, 2019. All voted in favor.

D. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Mr. MacDonald noted that spraying for mosquitos was recently completed and noted that residents need to remain vigilante with personal protection by not going out between dusk and dawn and using bug spray. Mr. Howes reported that the lights at town park are turned off at 6:00 p.m.

E. REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Howes reported that Veolia Environmental picked up bundles of boxes of fluorescent light bulbs and will be shipping empty boxes back to the board for future use.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Sewage Disposal Plan: 304-306 South Main Street

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. Howes, to approve the sewage disposal plan for 304-306 South Main Street. All voted in favor.

2. New England Disposal Technologies Agreement for 2019 Household Hazardous Waste Day Board of Health Regular Meeting Minutes September 19, 2019

The board reviewed the proposal submitted by New England Disposal Technologies for a 2019 household hazardous. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Howes, seconded by Mr. Swift, to approve the proposal for the 2019 household hazardous waste day. All voted in favor.

It was the consensus of the board that the first choice of the date is October 26th; the second choice of the date is November 2nd.

3. Greater Grafton Medical Reserve Corp Membership

The board reviewed a letter from the Grafton Town Administrator which stated the need for the board to take a formal vote to remain a part of the Great Grafton Medical Reserve Corps (GGMRC).

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. Howes, to remain a part of the Greater Grafton Medical Reserve Corp. All voted in favor.

4. Boy Scouts Request for Soda Can Collection at Recycle Center

The board reviewed a letter from the Troop 1 Hopedale Boy Scouts requesting to place a recyclable bottle and can bin at the recycle center on a permanent basis.

After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. Howes, to allow Troop 1 Boy Scouts to place a recyclable bottle and can bin at the recycle center. All voted in favor.

It was the consensus of the board to as if the boy scouts would be available to do weed whacking and light cleaning at the recycle center.

5. Other

Mr. Swift stated he would like to see vaping supplies and e-cigarettes banned and tasked Ms. Villa to gather information for the board.

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Free Flu Shot Clinics

Mr. MacDonald noted that the free flu shot clinics are scheduled for October 3rd and October 17th, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at Hopedale High School. The clinics are available to residents and town employees.

2. Other – None.

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Letter to President of Laurelwood Condominium Association
- b. Expenditure Ledgers: 8/31/19
- c. Letter from Selectmen to Grafton Upton Railroad Company re: Fly Ash
- d. Recycle Center Payroll V. Revenue Report: 9/16/19

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Discussion of Closing Recycle Center for Winter Months
- 2. Report on Free Flu Shot Clinics (if available)
- 3. Discussion with Animal Control Officer

J. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Health will be Thursday, October 17, 2019.

K. ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 6:30 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. Howes, to adjourn. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Villa

Carol A. Villa Recording Secretary

Approved: October 17, 2019

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Documents List

- 1. Draft Minutes: August 15, 2019 Regular Meeting
- 2. Sewage Disposal Plan for 304-306 South Main Street, Hopedale available upon request
- 3. Quote from New England Disposal Technologies for Household Hazardous Waste Day
- 4. Letter from Town of Grafton re: Region 2 Greater Grafton MRC
- 5. Notice re: 2019 Free Flu Shot Clinics
- 6. Letter from Boys Scouts re: Request for Soda Can Collection at Recycle Center
- 7. Informational Items
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