

**Board of Health Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2022**

The Hopedale Board of Health held a regular meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., in the Draper Room, Town Hall, 78 Hopedale Street, Hopedale, MA. Those in attendance included: Chairperson Donald Howes, Walter Swift, and Jason MacDonald. The meeting was televised on the local cable station and videotaped.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Howes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., noting that all members were present.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Draft Minutes: March 17, 2022 Regular Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 17, 2022). All voted in favor.

2. Draft Minutes: March 29, 2022 Additional Meeting

It was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 29, 2022. All voted in favor.

3. Draft Minutes: April 13, 2022 Joint Meeting with Finance Committee

It was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the regular meeting minutes of April 13, 2022. All voted in favor.

C. REPORT OF THE CHAIR - None

D. REPORTS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. MacDonald stated that he would have to meet with the recycle center employees to discuss the recent stormwater mitigation requirements, such as fencing, leavings, tarps over the Harvey containers, etc.

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. E.L. Harvey Trash Contract Renewal

It was noted that the contract proposal has gone to town counsel and the attorneys for E.L. Harvey & Sons and the board is waiting for responses.

2. Regional Animal Control Budget and Intermunicipal Agreement

It was noted that the Intermunicipal Agreement has been finalized and will be going out to appropriate representatives for each town and Ms. Schindler for signature.

3. Other – None.

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Disposal Works/Septic Plan: 208 Freedom Street

Fred Lapham of Shea Engineering gave a brief presentation on the disposal works/septic system plan.

After a review of the plan, it was moved by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Swift, to approve the disposal works/septic plan for 208 Freedom Street, with local upgrades as noted on the plan and with the following conditions:

1. The homeowners have the well tested and submit a report to the Board of Health Office, not later than May 19, 2022, to verify that the well water meets the state drinking water quality and standards.

2. The homeowners provide a copy of the Conservation Commission Emergency Approval due to the location of the septic system being within the 100-foot buffer to the wetlands.

The Board of Health will not be able to issue a Certificate of Compliance until these two conditions are met.

All voted in favor.

2. Approval of Disposal Works/Septic Plan: 393 South Main Street

After review of the plan, it was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the disposal works/septic plan for 393 South Main Street. All voted in favor.

3. Approval of Disposal Works/Septic Plan: 128 Hartford Avenue

The homeowner is requesting a variance for a reduction of the system setback of a 10-foot requirement to the leach field, as set forth in 310 CMR 15.405 (1) (a), to a setback of 6.5 feet to the leach field.

After a review of the plan, it was moved by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Swift, to approve the disposal works/septic plan for 128 Hartford Avenue with a variance for a reduction of the system setback of a 10-foot requirement

to the leach field, as set forth in 310 CMR 15.405 (1) (a), to a setback of 6.5 feet to the leach field. All voted in favor.

4. Approval of Hopedale Ridge Subdivision

After a review of the site plan, it was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to approve the site plan for the Hopedale Ridge subdivision, as recommended by the Health Agent. All voted in favor.

5. Other – None.

G. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Accounting Department Animal Control Expenditure Ledger: 3/29/22
2. Accounting Department Expenditure Ledger: 3/29/2022 and 4/13/22
3. Letter from Department of Public Health re: workforce
4. Email from E.L. Harvey re: issue with item in trash collection

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. E.L. Harvey Trash Contract Renewal
2. Trash Regulations
3. Tobacco Regulations

I. NEXT MEETING

1. Thursday, May 19, 2022

J. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:59 p.m., it was moved by Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. MacDonald, to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Villa

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Recording Secretary

Approved: May 19, 2022

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Documents List**

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4. Regional Animal Control Proposed Budget
5. Regional Animal Control Draft Inter-Municipal Agreement
6. Disposal Works/Septic System Plan: 393 South Main Street
7. Disposal Works/Septic System Plan: 128 Hartford Avenue
8. Disposal Works/Septic System Plan: 208 Freedom Street
9. Memorandum from Health Agent re: 208 Freedom Street
10. Hopedale Ridge Subdivision Plan (*available upon request*)
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12. Informational Items:
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