

Hubbardston Board of Health
January 14, 2014
Minutes
Library Basement

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Hubbardston Library Conference Room located in the Library Basement.

Present: Tomas Larson, Chariman
 Randy Mizereck, Vice Chairman
 Lucinda Oates, Member
 Steve Mossey, Member

Motion: Lucinda Oates

Second: Steve Mossey

Motion made to accept minutes of November 12, 2013 as written. All in favor. Motion carries.

Beaver Permits:

The DPW superintendent Tim Kilhart requested that we have a procedure in place so that if there is a beaver problem affecting a town road (ie culvert pipe blocked). The BOH would have a permit available in the office so that if T. Kilhart calls and needs a permit, someone from the BOH could sign it and put it in T. Kilhart's mailbox at the DPW so he could move forward quickly. DPW would only be allowed to trap on town property. Lucinda Oates questioned if there was a fee associated with it. Tom Larson said he would look into if there is a fee.

Motion: Randy Mizereck

Second: Steve Mossey

Motion made to accept the beaver form as written and to allow a member of the Board of Health to sign permit and get the form to T. Kilhart of the DPW as needed.

3 Bemis Road:

Chairman Larson updated the board members as to what had taken place right before the holidays. The renters at this address called the office to let us know that they were without water on and off since July. We spoke to the owners of the property and they were advised that they needed to do something about this as soon as possible as this was a health issue. The owners and renters were in contact with Gagne Pump and had the well hydrofracked. There were some other issues brought to the attention of the Building Department as well as the Board of Health. Chairman Larson and Larry Brandt, Building Inspector, went to the property and inspected. L. Brandt and Chairman Larson found three things that needed immediate attention. The owners needed to address these issues within two weeks. First they needed to change batteries in all smoke detectors, an electrical box in basement needs to have a cover on it and the floor in the bathroom needs to be supported better. L. Brandt will be following up with the owners and renters.

MT Trash & Hauling:

Lucinda Oates updated board as to her findings with this trash hauler. Last year the company sent out a flyer which several town employees brought to the attention of the BOH. BOH secretary called MT Trash and asked them about the flyer and was told that they were just looking to see if there was an interest. The secretary then sent them a letter with an application and explained what they needed to send in if they planned to haul in town. The company never sent in an application. L. Oates saw a container with MT Trash written on the side on the curbside of one of her neighbors. L. Oates then wrote a letter to MT Trash which was read at the meeting. L. Oates called M T Trash and asked them if they are in fact hauling in Hubbardston and have been for a year. L. Oates stated that she has not contacted them since due to the fact she wanted to let the board know what was going on. Chris Knuth of the Leominster BOH was contacted and asked what he would do in this situation. There are several things that we can do including getting the police involved. Tom Larson said that he would call MT Trash and speak to the owner to see if we can resolve this without going to court first, if not we will discuss again and take the next step. T. Larson also said that we need to bring this up to our Town Administrator to let her know what is going on.

Motion: Tom Larson**Second: Steve Mossey**

Motion made to gather additional information and also to speak with the Chief of Police and the Town Administrator to bring them up to speed and come up with the next step and resolve this issue.

Permits:

Permits were signed for Westfield Farm, James Simpson Excavating, Cauldron Farm, Hubbardston Market, Hakala Bros., L. R. Favreau, Ronald Levesque D/B/A Rietta, Martelli Construction, Wind River Environmental, Hubbardston Rod & Gun, Peaceful Acres, Mr. Mike's, Kelly Stanley, Hubbardston Center School, True North Holistic, Republic Services, Leahy Excavating, and F.A. Moschetti & Sons . There were no problems.

Title 5:

The following Title 5's were reviewed: 17 Bemis Rd., 47 Healdville Rd., 41 Cross Rd., 199 Williamsville Rd., 23 Iroquois Rd., 35 Brigham St., 115 New Templeton Rd.,. All passed and were signed off on.

Open Meeting Laws:

Lucinda Oates brought the board up to speed on what she learned from Koppleman & Paige regarding agenda's and meetings.

35 Brigham Street:

Lucinda Oates questioned if the Board had heard if there was any rebuilding going on. Tom Larson stated that Ernie Newcomb did get a Title 5 done and it did pass and E. Newcomb is in the process of getting his well tested to make sure he has potable water in order to build.

51 Hale Road:

The Hubbardston Police Department gave the Board of Health some pictures and a report showing that the house is abandoned and there is debris everywhere. The house is unsecure and would like us to work with Larry Brandt, building inspector, to take care of this situation. The Board reviewed the photos and have the BOH secretary speak with L. Brandt.

Motion: Steve Mossey

Second: Randy Mizereck

Motion made to work with Larry Brandt to get the property at 51 Hale Road boarded up and secured.

Motion: Lucinda Oates

Second: Steve Mossey

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:44 P.M as there was no further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approved: _____

Date: _____

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