

**Hubbardston Board of Health
May 27, 2014
Minutes
Library Basement**

Public Hearing 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
Guests: DJ Wilson, Tina Grosowsky, Erick Jack

Public Hearing Notice Read by Tom Larson, Chairman:

"The Hubbardston Board of Health (HBOH) will be holding a hearing regarding Revisions to the Youth Access to Tobacco Regulations at the Hubbardston Library, 7 Main Street, Unit #2, Hubbardston, MA, in the basement meeting room on Tuesday 5/27/2014 at 7 pm. Revisions include, but are not limited to, regulating non-FDA approved Nicotine Delivery Devices, a blunt wrap ban, single cigar sales restrictions, & updating wording. HBOH will hold an open comment period until 5/26/2014, whereby citizens may submit comments in writing to the HBOH. Copies of these Regulations are available at the HBOH office, 7 Main St. Unit #2, Hubbardston, MA.

Mr. DJ Wilson, Tobacco Control Director from the Mass Municipal Association, came up to speak. Mr. Wilson began by letting the Board know what different cities/towns in MA are doing with their Regulations. These cities and Towns have implemented a minimum pricing for cigars, 64 cities and towns have banned the sale of Blunt Wraps. 88 cities and towns have banned tobacco sales in pharmacies. 54 cities and towns have banned Electronic Cigarette use in Smoke-Free locations. Mr. Wilson was glad to see we were updating our Regulations. Tina Grosowsky, from Umass Medical School also presented at the meeting stating that she applauds the Board for keeping their Regulations current. Ms. Grosowsky stated that tobacco use is down with the teen population but the use of E-Cigarettes is increasing. It's imperative that our regulations are in line with the surrounding towns. Mr. Wilson stated that there are new items coming on the market all the time and we need to continue to update our regulations as necessary. Chairman Larson asked if there were any comments sent in during the open comment period and there were none. The Board thanked everyone for coming in and appreciated all their help.

Open Meeting closed at 7:13P.M

Motion: Steve Mossey

Second: Lucinda Oates

Motion made to accept minutes of March 4, 2014 as written. All in favor. Motion carries.

Permits:

There were three permits to be signed; Hubbardston Youth Baseball, First Parish Unitarian Church and R.A Salvadore Excavation. The Board reviewed the permits and all were signed.

Title 5 Inspections:

Title 5 Inspection for 3 Woodview Drive was reviewed and was noted that it passed.

Local Upgrade Approval for 74 Williamsville Rd:

Jeanne DeRosa of 74 Williamsville Rd. submitted an application for Disposal Works Construction Permit with a plan which was reviewed by Matt Hopkinson. M.Hopkinson stated on the plan that the designer is responsible for the septic tank inspection and the board needs to vote for a LUA for a 3' g.w separation (which M. Hopkinson recommends).

Motion: Randy Mizereck

Second: Lucinda Oates

Motion made to allow the LUA for 74 Williamsville Rd. with the understanding that the designer is responsible for the inspections and notifying the BOH. All in favor. Motion carries.

Tobacco Control Alliance-

Joan Hamlett from the Tobacco Control Alliance came in to discuss the changes taking place in the surrounding towns with the regulations. J. Hamlett brought in new regulations (drafts) for the board to review. Leominster, Fitchburg, Barre, and Gardner have upgraded their regulations. Winchendon and Templeton held Public Hearings on this exact document and are expected to pass these regulations to go into effect July 1, 2014. If we have a Public Hearing on these regulations Cheryl Savara from MAHB and D.J Wilson from MMA are available for legal assistance. C. Savara and D.J Wilson track every lawsuit that has ever happened in MA and New England. Everything that is in the regulations cannot be challenged and C. Savara and D.J Wilson will be present at the Public Hearing. The E Cigarette is becoming quite a problem in the surrounding areas. This is a rechargeable cigarette which has nicotine steam vapor. The FDA stated this product needs to be regulated like a regular cigarette product. What is being found now is that any drug that can be liquefied can be used in the e-cigarette chambers and teens have gotten ahold of this and are using it. Fitchburg and Clinton have experienced this problem. The Governor has declared this a national emergency. The tobacco industry has tripled the nicotine in these e-cigarettes and since some people have been using these in the work place and continue to go home and smoke regular cigarettes there have been increased nicotine poisoning incidents.

J. Hamlett suggested we look over the regulations and she could come back to discuss them and then if we choose to go ahead with the regulations, we would then hold a public hearing. If we vote to add these regulations, J. Hamlett will go to the local businesses and educate them as to the changes, give them any pertinent information and packets and provide training on all the changes.

POA: The Board will review regulations and discuss at the next meeting.

Emergency Preparedness:

Sara D. sent the Public Information Officer Designation Form which needed to be signed by Chairman Larson. Also the Continuity of Operations Plan for Local Health Departments document needed to have a person named for the Plan Termination portion of the plan. Chairman Larson volunteered to have his name in this section.

55 Brigham Street:

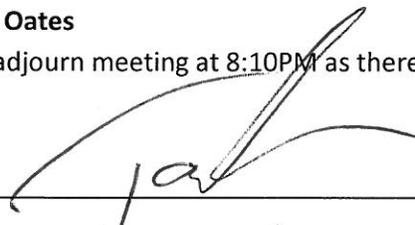
Building Inspector Larry Brandt sent a letter to the homeowner at 55 Brigham Street which was reviewed by the Board. The letter stated that there is a concern for unregistered vehicles on the property which need to be addressed. The letter will be filed.

Motion: Lucinda Oates

Second: Steve Mossey

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 8:10PM as there was no further discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approved: _____



Date: _____

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