

Board of Health Minutes
September 19, 2017

The meeting opened at 7:15 p.m. with Ms. Amodei, Ms. Moeller and Mr. Parkin present.

All bills submitted were approved for payment.

The minutes of the meeting of September 5th were approved as amended.

The minutes of the meeting of August 15th were approved as written.

73 Chapman Street, Lot 12

The Board signed a building permit application after reviewing the building plans and confirming that the house and septic system are designed for 4 bedrooms. All water test results met acceptable parameters except arsenic. A filtering system and deed restrictions will be needed for occupancy.

Lot 5 River Street – June Tully

The Board reviewed the proposed septic plan designed with infiltrators with trenches. The reserve area was missing on the plan. The Board approved the plan with the requirement that the reserve area shall be shown on the asbuilt within the test area. If additional testing is needed; it may be done at the time of installation.

Trash & Recycling

Irene Congdon; our Central Mass Municipal Assistance Coordinator reaffirmed to the Board that they had been awarded a grant for 80 hours of technical assistance with her.

She briefly went over the scope of work with the Board including the date of completion on December 2018. She will be sending a document for the Board to sign.

Dana Kinne; owner of DPS Trash and Recycling met with the Board to discuss the possibility of his company taking over the approximately 225 residents who presently use the transfer station beginning approximately July 1, 2018 and the Town would close the transfer station.

Since there is a possibility that Town may receive a grant for the trash and recycling containers; we could give them to the residents for their use. One 32 gallon container for trash and one 64 gallon container for recycling would be provided for weekly curbside pickup. The cost to the Town would be \$10.00 per container with the grant picking up \$30.00 for each trash container and \$20.00 for each recycling container.

Mr. Kinne thought he could do the pickup for trash and recycling weekly at \$275.00 per household. He presently pays \$45.00 per ton to dispose of recycling. Senior discounts would be discussed further. Billing and communication was also discussed. The Town would do the billing but the communication with residents would be handled by Mr. Kinne. The permits may be able to be sold on line possibly through the Tax Collector/Treasurers office.

Overflow bags were also discussed. The Town would send money to Mr. Kinne every time they sell an overflow bag. The cost of the bag to the resident is yet to be determined as well as the cost that will be sent to Mr. Kinne.

Ms. Congdon also suggested that the Board look into applying for a grant for composting bins.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.