



Town Of Medway Board of Health

**August 24, 2015
Medway Board of Health
26 High Street
Conference Room
Medway, MA 02053**

PRESENT: Mike Heavey, Jordan Warnick and Jack Mill
ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Bacon-Health Agent
Amy Sutherland, Recording Secretary

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Minutes Acceptance:

August 10, 2015:

On a motion made by Jordan Warnick and seconded by Mike Heavey, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes from August 10, 2015.

Discussion about the Turf:

The Board was made aware that member Warnick is creating a Fact Sheet on Synthetic Fields. Comments for this fact sheet were gathered from the Department of Public Services (Parks Department) School District, School Committee, Selectmen and concerned citizen.

The information explained that there are currently three athletic fields being in Medway which are synthetic turf fields using crumb rubber. The sheet explains that the fields are made up of components of ATFs which include grass fibers, crumb rubber infill, and sand infill. The grass fibers are made of nylon, polyethylene and the crumb rubber infill made of recycled tires. The chemicals in the turf crumb rubber have been found to contain chemicals including semi-volatile organic compounds (including polyromantic hydrocarbon) volatile organic compounds, and metals. The definition for this was taken from the State.

The Town of Medway holds a certificate from the manufacturer stating that there is no lead in the artificial turf fields.

Included in this packet of information was frequently asked questions and answers from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Public Health Bureau of Environmental Health.

Drug Abuse:

Member Warnick participated in a coalition meeting for drug abuse prevention. This was an extremely informative meeting and the State is putting extra resources and funding into addressing this epidemic.

Upcoming Drug Abuse Prevention Meetings:

- Tuesday, September 1, 2015 from 7:00 – 9:00 pm in Franklin.
- Friday, October 2, 2015 from 8:00 am – 1:00 pm in Waltham, (Massachusetts Medical Society Opioid Misuse and Addition Summit.

Permits to Sign:

On a motion made by Mike Heavey and seconded by Jack Mill, the Board of Health voted unanimously to sign the permits as presented.

Fall Town Meeting:

The fall town meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 16, 2015. The warrant opens on Tuesday, September 1, 2015 and closes on September 14, 2015.

Adjourn:

On a motion made by Jordan Warnick and seconded by Michael Heavey, the Board of Health voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Future Meetings:

The next meeting scheduled is Monday, September 21, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Medway Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Meeting Recorder