

**Minutes for  
Town of Hanson  
Board of Health Meeting  
Tuesday, July 11, 2017**

Meeting Start Time: 4:00pm

Place: Second Floor Hearing room

Hanson Town Hall, 542 Liberty Street, Hanson, MA 02341

Having a quorum, Ms. Dias called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

Present: Ms. Dias, Mr. Amado, Mr. Tanis & Ms. Cocio

**NEW BUSINESS**

I. **New Business:**

1. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 4:00pm.
2. 72 Lexington Street – Homeowner came before the Board to discuss possible in-law apartment. Current permitted flow for his system is 600gpd but it is listed as a 3 bedroom system. The Board approved changing the Septic system into a 4 bedroom, which current Title V regulations state must have a flow of 440gpd. They are well within these guidelines adding the additional bedroom.
3. 133 Union Park – Residents have been using the transfer station without the proper sticker and without using the required PAYT orange bags. The Health Agent will send them a letter stating they must follow the TS regulations as they will not be able to utilize the TS.
4. Rabies Policy – A rabies policy was created to require that all cats/dogs receive the vaccine in order to protect the public health. Mr. Amado made a motion to approve the policy, Ms. Dias agreed. 2-0
5. Rosewood Drive – Residents of the Rosewood Drive neighborhood came before the Board to discuss the sand pile located at the cranberry bog that abuts several of the properties on Rosewood Drive. The Sand pile is currently about 30' high. The residents have discussed the situation with the bog manager numerous times to no avail. Mr. Tanis has also spoken with the bog manager, Chaz on numerous occasions. The manager stated that they are watering the pile to minimize blowing sand. They have also sprayed a glue substance on the sand pile to help alleviate blowing. The manager said they would begin using the sand in the coming weeks. Mr. Tanis asked the manager if he would send the BOH an email with the information and remedies they had discussed, he declined. There has been an issue with blowing sand into the Rosewood drive neighborhood making it near impossible for the residents to use their backyards. They also have a concern with children climbing and playing on the sand which could pose a safety concern. The residents may seek relief via a lawsuit, the Health Agent will see if that is an avenue that Town may use as well. The Health Agent will send another letter to the property owner advising him the Town may sue if the pile size is not cut down.
6. Old Colony Planning Contract – Tabled

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7. Electronic Disposal – Health Agent is looking into new companies for e-waste. Cost is very expensive. We are currently using RMG @ .19/lb plus split travel costs with two other towns.
8. Marijuana - The Health Agent had a meeting with the Town Planner and the Town Administrator regarding the creation of a marijuana bylaw. Jurisdiction would fall under several departments. The Town must wait for the State to complete the change in the law before the Town is able to act on anything.
9. GIS Software - The Town is purchasing new software. The cost is higher than what the BOH is currently using (Permit Eyes). The Board will need to discuss if the cost of a new BOH permitting module is worth it. The BOS does not want to continue paying the current cost of Permit Eyes when GIS is available. Potential startup cost would be approx. \$18,000. The Board is not willing to pay that high of a cost.
10. Septic Plans before the Board for approval:
  - a. **404 Holmes Street** – 4 Bedroom – Deed Restriction - Mr. Amado made a motion to approve the submitted plan with the following variances, pending receipt of an updated plan with a Deed Restriction notation:
    - i. A variance to allow a vertical separation reduction from the required 4' to 3'.
    - ii. A variance to use a grain size distribution analysis to establish load rate.

II. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Mr. Amado, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Dias.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:07pm.

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Arlene Dias  
Chairman

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Gilbert Amado  
Vice-Chair

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Patrick Killeen  
Member