

**Minutes for
Town of Hanson
Board of Health Meeting
Tuesday, August 8, 2023**

Meeting Start Time: 4:00pm

Place: 542 Liberty Street, Hanson Town Hall
Second Floor Meeting Room.

Having a quorum, Mr. Perkins called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

Present: Mr. Perkins, Ms. Dias, Mr. Amado

Absent: Ms. Cocio

NEW BUSINESS

I. New Business:

- 1) Approve minutes from Board of Health meeting held on July 11, 2023– Ms. Dias made a motion to approve the BOH minutes for July 11, 2023, 2nd by Mr. Perkins 2-0.
- 2) The Board regretfully accepts the resignation of Melissa Pinnetti from the Board of Health effective July 25, 2023. Ms. Dias made a motion to accept the resignation of Ms. Pinnetti, 2nd by Mr. Perkins 2-0.
- 3) Transfer Station Committee – Mr. Perkins spoke with Mr. Dugan from the Finance Committee and the Transfer Station committee to see what the current situation is with the TS committee. Ms. Cocio will send an email to Mr. Weeks.
- 4) Transfer Station update – It appears that sometimes the containers are going out light. The Health Agent has asked the employees at the Transfer Station to pay closer attention to the weights of compactors. Mr. Callahan at the Transfer Station was going to reach out to Harvey regarding the gauges on the compactors. Mr. Perkins wants the gauges fixed as the Town pays for the equipment and the equipment should be working properly. The Health Agent will reach out to Harvey regarding faulty equipment. The Health Agent has reached out to the union rep. in regards to the per diem position needed at the Transfer Station.
- 5) Town Meeting Articles – Ms. Dias made a motion to place an article on the Town Meeting Warrant to restore \$50,000 to the disposal services line of the transfer station budget. 2-0 The Health Agent will submit the Article to the Town Administrator.
Ms. Dias made a motion for a place holder for an Article to restore \$50,000 to the wage & salary line of the transfer station budget. 2-0
Ms. Dias made a motion to place an article on the Town Meeting Warrant to allow the Town to borrow \$500,000 to replenish the Betterment Loan account for septic repairs for Hanson homeowners, 2nd by Mr. Perkins.
- 6) Public Health Nurse – The Health Agent would like to redo the job description. Ms. Dias has a few other municipal Public Health Nurse job descriptions that she will give to the Health Agent. Ms. Dias would like to at least contract with the current Whitman Nurse to run the communicable disease report in MAVEN. The current hourly rate for the Whitman Nurse is \$30.00/hr. Mr. Perkins is concerned about liability insurance. Ms. Dias will speak with the Town Administrator regarding posting for the Public Health Nurse position. Ms. Dias made a motion to contract with Kimberly Bombardier to handle MAVEN reporting and MAVEN updates for an hourly rate of \$30.00/hour, until the job can be posted. PENDING approval for HR/Town Administrator, 2nd by Mr. Perkins.

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7) Septic Plans

- a. **7 Thayer Drive** –4 bedroom - Ms. Dias made a motion to approve the plan as submitted, 2nd by Mr. Perkins. 2-0
 - i. Allow the bottom of the proposed SAS to be 3.6’ from soil mottling instead of 4’ required.
- b. **808 Whitman Street** – 3 bedroom – Ms. Dias made a motion to approve the plan submitted, 2nd by Mr. Perkins. 2-0
 - i. Allow SAS to drain which intercept seasonal high groundwater from the 50’ to 41’
 - ii. Allow the use of a sieve analysis in place of percolation testing data.

7) Agent Report – The Health Agent is looking for a motion to approve the draft letter from town counsel on the property at 1057 Main Street – Ms. Dias made a motion to approve the draft letter to town counsel for the owner of the property located at, 2nd by Mr. Perkins. 2-0. Several departments in the Town have compiled complaints such as no hot water, exposed wires, extension cords, propane tanks indoors, no handrails, tripping hazards, several roof leaks that are draining into kiddie pools. There is an individual living in the building for security, which was approved several years ago. Main Street Dunkin construction has been completed. Rainbow Camp has been inspected and is open. Town Counsel is handling communication with the property owner.

8) Board vacancy – Ms. Dias made a motion to have Ms. Cocio notify the Select Board of the vacancy on the Board of Health due to the resignation of Ms. Pinnetti, 2nd by Mr. Perkins 2-0

9) Project Updates –

Kiwanee – No update

Green Hanson – No update

South Shore Recycling Cooperative – No update

Emergency Planning – No update

Transfer Station – No update

Upcoming Board of Health Meetings: August 29, September 19

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Ms. Dias, 2nd by Mr. Perkins. 2-0 Meeting adjourned at 5:13pm.

Kevin Perkins, Acting Chair

Arlene Dias, Member

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Documents used at August 8, 2023 Hanson Board of Health Meeting:

- 7 Thayer Drive – Plan and application
- 808 Whitman Street – Plan & application