





TOWN HALL - 1 MAIN STREET - AYER, MASSACHUSETTS 01432 - (978) 772-8213

Minutes of February 22, 2021 - Ayer Board of Health Meeting

Location: First Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall Meeting was recorded and broadcast by APAC

Members Present: Pamela Papineau, Chairman, Patricia Peters and Stephen Slarsky

(Members participated remotely)

Also Present: Heather Hampson, Administrative Coordinator

Chairman Papineau opened the meeting at 5:30 PM

Public Input

None.

Discussion, Trash Hauler Regulations

Present: Laurie Sabol and Irene Congdon from MassDEP

P. Papineau stated that Ms. Laurie Sabol asked to come before the Board to discuss the existing Trash Hauler Regulations and recycling.

Ms. Laurie Sabol stated that Ms. Irene Congdon from Mass DEP will be giving a presentation to the Board regarding state regulations on recycling and how the Board can improve their regulations to be more in compliance with existing state recycling laws and informed the Board of the banned items from household trash. Ms. Congdon stated that the Board's current trash hauler regulations leave out multi-family units. Recycling is only mandatory for individual units and not multifamily with dumpsters.

The Board had some questions regarding the current regulations and how the Board can bring them into compliance with existing state laws.

Ms. Congdon gave the Board a few examples of that they can add into their regulations to incorporate all the items in the state regulations to include multifamily housing / dumpsters.

The discussion is continued to the meeting on March 22 to allow the Board and Ms. Laurie Sabol time to review and draft possible changes to the existing Trash Hauler Regulations.

COVID-19

B. Braley stated that the numbers are continuing to head in the right direction and things are looking good. The biggest issue is with vaccine distribution. The Governor's office has decided to not give individual cities and towns vaccines and focus more on larger vaccine sites.

The Board had a discussion regarding the vaccine roll out in the state.

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Respectfully Submitted, Heather Hampson, *Administrative Coordinator*

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