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**CHESTER, MASSACHUSETTS**

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**BOARD OF HEALTH**

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**Board of Health Meeting**

**Via Zoom**

**May 11, 2021 at 6:00 pm**

**This meeting is called to order at 6:01 by the Chair, in attendance: Nicholas J Chiusano (NC), Elizabeth Massa(EM), Gregory Harrison(GH), Norma MacDonald, Elaine Gilmore, Duane Pease all via zoom.**

**Agenda**

**Approve last meeting minutes of March 3, 2021: all voted yes.**

**New Business**

**-Set new Rubbish Bag Sticker Pricing/ Max Size 33 gal. bag**

Neighboring town bag prices have increased in 2021. Also our rubbish cost is not in line with our rubbish receipts anymore. More residents are bringing 55 gal bags. Examples of other bag prices:

Granville \$2.60 30 gal max

Huntington \$4.00 30 gal and \$6.00 40 gal \$8.00 55 gal.

**Vote to set max bag size of 33 gal. and new bag price \$3.00 which is a \$1 per bag increase effective May 19<sup>th</sup>: NC motion, GH 2<sup>nd</sup>, all voted yes.**

**-Set Household Light Bulb and Battery Recycling Fees**

We have been awarded a Universal Waste Shed Grant for \$3,000. We can accept batteries, t-stats, thermometers, household light bulbs. Other towns do not charge fees and we would like to encourage recycling.

**Vote to not have a fee for the universal waste items: batteries, t-stats, thermometers, household light bulbs.: EM motion, GH 2<sup>nd</sup>, all voted yes.**

**-Discuss Town Bags**

After researching town bags, there is a cost and the bags are not very strong. Bags cost minimum of a dollar each, bag stickers currently cost 10 cents each. If we can find a vendor to supply strong bags at a minimal cost we can review this item for next fiscal year.

## -Set minimum fee for Demo items \$5

In addition to the set demo fees for items, other miscellaneous items are judged on cost by the attendants. The receipts for demo for this fiscal year are not in line with the costs to dispose of the items. EM suggested setting the minimum fee to \$3.00. Smaller items add to the weight and space in the demo box. EM added that the demo box must be crushed by highway often so that we get the maximum number of items for each haul of \$210 plus weight. EM and GH thought \$5.00 was too high.

**Vote for a minimum amount for a demo item of \$3.00.: EM motion, GH 2<sup>nd</sup>, all voted yes.**

## -Write job description for BOH

Clerk: set up meetings, bookkeeping, permitting, scheduling health agents, grant applications, email, filing, computer work, permit eyes, Maven, follow up on home sales, check for current title V, issue food permits, trash haulers, septic pumpers, septic installers, campground permits, temporary housing permits, bed and breakfast permits, mobile home permits, perc tests, septic plan reviews, well permits, tonnage reports, DEP permitting for transfer station, work with health agent on housing inspections, DEP third party inspections, payroll for transfer station, all monetary reporting.

Chair: review and sign all documents, perform title V reviews, run the meetings, work directly with health agents at inspections.

Shared: respond to all complaints, work at the transfer station, work with the building inspector on problem properties/bylaw and code enforcement, assist all other board members in duties when needed.

Transfer Station: maintain the grounds, check all loads, maintain equipment, maintain/monitor cameras

## Old Business: none

“Any other business the Chairperson could not identify at the time of this posting”

**Meeting will adjourn vote to adjourn at 6:35pm.: EM motion, GH 2<sup>nd</sup>, all voted yes**

Join Zoom Meeting

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**Minutes Approved 06-23-21**