

November 13, 2019  
Sterling Board of Health Meeting  
With Board of Selectmen  
Butterick Building, Room 205  
1 Park Street, Sterling, MA 01564

Meeting Minutes

7:08 PM                      The BOH called their meeting to order.

**BOH Roll Call:**            Donna Clark, Chair – absent  
                         Gary Menin, Vice-Chair – present  
                         Allen Hoffman, Member – present  
                         David Favreau, Health Agent – present  
                         Elaine Heller, Admin. Asst. – present

**BOS Roll Call:**            John Kilcoyne, Chair; Maureen Cranson, Vice-Chair; Arden Sonnenberg,  
                         Clerk

**Discussion with the Board of Selectmen regarding Clothing Bin Regulations:**

The Board of Selectmen received a draft clothing bin bylaw presented by Mr. Menin of the Board of Health. The Board of Selectman sought opinion from Town Counsel on this draft bylaw. It is the opinion of Town Counsel this subject matter would be better suited as a regulation, as opposed to a bylaw. A regulation is more fluid than a bylaw, and could be implemented or changed without a town meeting vote.

BOH member Allen Hoffman agreed this topic should be a regulation, but believes the Board of Health should write its own regulation, and not take the West Boylston version, which is what was used for the draft. He also does not agree with assessing fines; he would prefer having anyone interested in having collection bins on their property obtain a license, which could be revoked upon violations. Gary Menin agreed with this procedure and will work with Mr. Hoffman in drafting a new regulation.

Mr. Hoffman commented, there will be public hearings before this regulation can be adopted by the Sterling Board of Health.

The Board of Health adjourned their meeting at 7:20 PM.