



Town of Boxford
Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health

September 26, 2016

Present: Hans Jeppesen, Richard Taylor, Rick Fahrner, Heather Forand,
Alex Constan
Kendell Longo, Kristin Kwiatek

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Hans Jeppesen

Minutes, Announcements, and Bills

Bills were signed

Announcements:

- Large Metal Item Pick Up- October 17 and 18, 2016
- Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day- November 12, 2016 9am at Masconomet Regional High School
- **R. Fahrner** announced that the Federal Drug Administration just banned the antiseptic hand wash containing Triclosan and Triclocarban which could pose health risks on hormonal effects.

JRM Hauling

D. Taylor suggested that the Board fine JRM twenty dollars for throwing recycling bins and barrels in the roadways and driveways. A letter was sent to JRM three months ago regarding the issue. Under the contract between the Town and JRM, fines can be issued for such violations. **D. Taylor** made a motion to subtract from the JRM monthly bill twenty dollars. **A. Constan** questioned if the Town could subtract a dollar amount instead of sending a separate bill. **D. Taylor** stated it is a way of sending a message that there could be many more fines if we continue to receive complaints. **H. Forand** asked if JRM receives the complaints on a regular basis. **D. Taylor** stated that the Health Department sends them as they are called in from a resident. **A. Constan** seconded the motion for discussion. **D. Taylor** mentioned that before they can be fined there has to be a documented incident. **D. Taylor motioned** to fine JRM Hauling twenty dollars based on the contract under specifications 2.6.2, seconded by **A. Constan**.
Approved **unanimously**.

Minutes:

Minutes were reviewed from the August 24, 2016 meeting. **Motion** by **R. Fahrner** to accept minutes as amended, seconded by **H. Jeppesen** approved **unanimously**.

Solar-Landfill Update

D. Taylor discussed the two site walks at the landfill with regards to the utility pole placement and gave a back-round on who owns the lease of the area. **D. Taylor** spoke with the Town's landfill engineer Duane Himes from Weston and Sampson regarding the discussions from the site walks. **D. Taylor** composed a letter upon approval from the Board to be sent to Spofford Road Solar 1, LLC on how the process of the utility pole placement will be determined. **D. Taylor** read aloud as a requirement of the Department of Environmental Protection, appropriate adjustments to the location of poles shall be made to insure the pole, any brace or anchor(if any),and the excavation for installing the pole, are not located within the limits of waste or any waste disposal area.

D. Taylor also said that he and Mr. Himes made mention of the actions that could trigger a mandated 21E at the site by the Department of Environmental Protection. **D. Taylor** stated he had made some minor revisions to the second page of the letter and that the bold print is to emphasize the order of the Board.

R. Fahrner motioned to accept the letter, seconded by **A. Constan**. Approved **unanimously**.

D. Taylor stated since the letter is accepted and will be sent by certified mail, he asked the Board to also allow him to unofficially send the letter by email to inform all involved of the Board's order before they begin.

D. Taylor motioned to have the letter unofficially emailed, seconded by **R. Fahrner**. Approved **unanimously**.

D. Taylor asked the Board to reconsider a **motion** made a year ago so that **K. Longo** and **D. Taylor** can speak for the Board when on site. **D. Taylor** said that there is going to be a lot of work involved and someone should be there while any construction is being done. There is a concern that the construction company has never worked on a landfill. They need to be watched to make sure the liner is not penetrated and to also be able to instruct work to be stopped if there is an issue. **H. Forand** questioned if someone will be at the site at all times during construction. **D. Taylor** stated Duane Himes is supposed to be there during any kind of construction along with the Health Agent. **A. Constan** stated that he is never opposed to having a point person on site to bring back information to the Board but what is new is the Board would be appointing someone sole discretionary responsibility to make decisions on the spot on behalf of the Board. **A. Constan** said it is a little different and everyone on the Board should be comfortable with such responsibility. **D. Taylor** mentioned that he has had sole responsibility for making decisions on the spot for the landfill since 1983 except for the 6 years off the Board. **D. Taylor** said if anything leads to a violation, it has to be brought back to the Board and the Department of Environmental Protection. **R. Fahrner** stated there should be a stipulation that all Board members are notified by email of such decisions so there are not any questions raised after the fact.

A **motion** was made by **D. Taylor** for him to be allowed to oversee and make decisions at the landfill site on behalf of the Board of Health. Any and all decisions will be reported back to the Board. Seconded by **H. Jeppesen**. Approved **unanimously**.

Signage Artificial Turf Field

D. Taylor stated the first four points on the sign were already agreed upon at past meetings. The last point still needs to be agreed upon which has to do with infants and toddlers being on the turf. The Board agreed with the last statement in which infants and toddlers should not play, crawl or roll on the field. **R. Fahrner motioned** to approve sign as amended, seconded by **A. Constan**. Approved **unanimously**.

Town wide Water Testing

D. Taylor mentioned that the water test information was an updated version from the 2010 water testing program. The testing will be done at the same price with the same packages. **K. Longo** stated that Nashoba Analytical would just like the dates to be confirmed. **D. Taylor** mentioned it should be an interesting year to test because the aquifers are so low. **H. Forand** said it should be posted online and it should include a picture.

Action item- The water testing program to be put on all advertising sites available as soon as the dates are determined.

D. Taylor motioned to go forward with the water testing program contingent upon Nashoba Analytical and **K. Longo** agreeing upon the dates, seconded by **R. Fahrner**. Approved **unanimously**.

Unknown Materials Incident Response

R. Fahrner stated that upon reading the material it was not appreciated that the fire department would respond because of the exclusion zones. **D. Taylor** stated the current response material is far from how it should be acted upon because there needs to be an action list with three different departments to be contacted. **D. Taylor** stated it should be a card that people can follow. **D. Taylor** said it will be an ongoing process.

A. Constan requested that the Andrews Farm water situation should be a standing agenda item starting with the next Board meeting.

Adjourn 8:30pm

The next meeting date will be determined and with no further business there was a **motion** made by **R. Fahrner**, seconded by **H. Forand**, the Board voted **unanimously** to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristin Kwiatek
Minutes Secretary

