

# Town of Boxford Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health

### February 26, 2018

**Present:** Richard Taylor, Richard Fahrner, Hans Jeppesen, Heather Forand,

Kendell Longo, Kristin Kwiatek

**Absent:** Alex Constan

# Meeting called to order at 7:35PM by D. Taylor

#### Minutes, Announcements, and Bills

Bills: Bills were signed.

Minutes: Minutes were reviewed from the January 29, 2018 meeting. **Motion** by **H. Jeppesen** to accept minutes, seconded by **H. Forand**. Approved **unanimously**.

# **Director's Update**

Twenty six diagnosed cases of influenza in Boxford.

The mosquito spraying opt out letter written by Ross Povenmire was sent to Senator Tarr's office. **K. Longo** stated that she will keep the Board updated with any information.

Currently twenty five residences for mosquito spraying opt out have been received.

# **Trash Contract Discussion**

**D. Taylor** stated that trash company proposals will be looked at by the end of March and then discussions will begin with the best ones for the Town in April.

**D. Taylor** stated that Karen Sheridan the Chair of the Recycling Committee informed him that if Boxford groups in with two other towns that money could be saved on the yearly recycling information that is printed and mailed out to residents. The Board agreed to continue having Styrofoam recycled which would not allow grouping with other towns unless Styrofoam is in their contract.

# 8:00 Meeting with Task Force Representatives

Robert Gore and Alfred Vaz were present to discuss with the Health Board the relevant issues of the Boxford municipal facilities plan and what they are working on to present to the Planning Board. There are issues that the Health Board will be dealing with if the project is accepted at the Town Meeting. The Board was given a handout of a shortened version of the Boxford Municipal Buildings Roadmap that was presented at the January 27 Community Forum.

# <u>Amherst BOH Letter on Gas Pipeline</u>

**D. Taylor** asked the Board for their input regarding the Amherst letter on gas pipeline leakage. The Board discussed the bullet points in the letter. The Amherst letter discussion to be continued at the next Board of Health meeting.

#### **Andrews Farm Water**

Nothing to report.

### **Mosquito Control District Budget/Work**

The Board is still waiting for a list of services to be provided by the Northeast Massachusetts Mosquito Control.

# **Septic System Regulations: Cesspools**

Continued discussion on cesspool regulation. **D. Taylor** asked **K.Longo** to contact the DEP for their input on the Board's interest in passing a regulation on getting rid of cesspools.

#### **Annual Report Assignments**

**D.Taylor** asked the Board to send their assignments to the Health Department once completed.

# Adjorn 8:35pm

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristin Kwiatek Minutes Secretary