

# Town of Boxford Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health

## January 08, 2020

**Present:** Richard Fahrner, Richard Taylor, Alex Constan

Kendell Longo

**Absent:** Heather Forand, Hans Jeppesen

Kristin Kwiatek

## Meeting called to order at 6:30 by D. Taylor

**Minutes:** Minutes were reviewed from the December, 18 2019 meeting. **Motion** by **R. Fahrner** to accept minutes, **seconded** by **A. Constan**. Approved unanimously.

Bills: Bills were signed.

#### **PFAS Regulation**

**D. Taylor** stated that there is a new DEP regulation which at this time only affects public water supplies with Boxford not being affected until October of 2021. Reason being all of Boxford wells are less than 10,000 people being served. Once under the regulation the initial monitoring is quarterly for one year and then annually if there are no problems. If there are problems it becomes monthly. The cost is expected to be \$350-\$400 per test. The first year would cost the Town approximately \$4800.00 and then after that, if nothing is found it would go down to one per year for all three locations. **D. Taylor** said his opinion is that they do not know for sure that this is going to be applied to landfills so let the Finance committee determine if it should be put into the budget this year or just do a Finance committee transfer. The Board was in agreement.

## **Discussion on revised septic regulations**

The Board tabled the discussion for a future meeting.

#### Town Meeting Warrant Articles: Stickers, Recycling Center

**R. Fahrner motioned** to raise the trash sticker fee to three dollars per sticker, **seconded** by **A. Constan.** Approved **unanimously.** 

**D. Taylor** suggested that the Board asks the Town for the money to put up an eight- foot chain linked fence with a new card activated gate in order to have better control of the area. If the Board agrees then the DPW director could get bids in order to have an idea for the cost to propose a warrant article **R. Fahrner motioned** for Chris Olbrot to get bids for a chain linked fence at the recycling center, **seconded** by **A. Constan.** Approved **unanimously.** 

#### **Director's Update**

**K. Longo** stated that the town Hall's septic system backed up in august and then again on Monday. The cause was baby wipes. In the spring the inlet will be opened up to clear out possible more wipes. The library bought trash receptacles for visitors to dispose of them properly.

## **Andrews Farm Water**

Nothing new to report.

#### Adjourn 8:30pm

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristin Kwiatek
Minutes Secretary