TOWN OF AYER BOARD OF HEALTH Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2015

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm

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Members present included: Chair Heather Hasz, Clerk Mary Spinner, Member Pamela Papineau, NABOH Representative Bridgette Braley, and Administrative Assistant Jane Morriss

NABOH REPORT – BRIDGETTE BRALEY: A proposed project at 31 Willow Road borders a Zone II area of our aquifer protection district (Spectacle Pond Wells), so before proceeding with the project, the owner will need to get a special permit from the Board of Health and come in for a public hearing. The Planning Board is having a Public Hearing on July 2, but it is too short a notice to hold a joint public hearing. J. Morriss was instructed to reach out to Goldsmith, Prest & Ringwall, Inc. to invite them to a meeting. • Debris is still strewn out in the yard of the property at 128 Washington Street. 22-24 Maple Street is listed for sale—even though the owner has been notified that the property cannot be sold until it has been de-leaded. Empire City has closed. Strong unpleasant odors seem to be coming from VitaSoy USA. After H. Hasz received a call complaining of the odor last Wednesday evening (June 17) she drove by the plant (around 9 pm) and witnessed a strong heavy, lingering organic odor. B. Braley has also received several complaints. J. Morriss was asked to draft a letter inviting them to our next meeting on July 13, (sending both certified and regular mail) to discuss what is again becoming a chronic odor complaint and to send copies to the Mass DEP, Ayer DPW, and the BOS over the Chair's signature. The Board also wanted to let the public know that it will be discussing these odors with VitaSoy USA at its next meeting.

REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 8th MEETING: Clerk M. Spinner motioned to accept the minutes and Chairman H. Hasz 2nd. A 3/0

SHEPLEY'S HILL LANDFIL UPDATE/RAB UPDATE (P. PAPINEAU): The US Army Corp of Engineers continues to monitor test wells for arsenic, and thus far the plume has not proceeded as far to the west as was predicted by prior modeling. However, testing shows contamination remaining at depths of 45-60 feet. To remediate, injections targeting the specific areas of remaining contamination were/are being made throughout May and June. The study to verify background levels of arsenic in the soil continues. The results of the long-term federal monitoring of the test wells have been posted on the BOH website. The next RAB meeting is scheduled for July 16.

END-OF-YEAR BOH PURCHASES; PRINTER, VOICE RECORDER, ETC.: The Board instructed J. Morriss to encumber and purchase the HP LaserJet Pro MFP M225DN Printer from Staples and the Voice Tracer (recorder) from GovConnection.

NEW CHICKEN PERMIT FOR 45 GROTON SHIRLEY ROAD: M. Spinner made the motion H. Hasz 2nd to approve the permit. A3/0

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS: Mail review: Recently, an animal bite was sustained on June 8th, but notification wasn't received by the BOH (via the Town Clerk) until June 16th. The interval between bites and our receipt of the notifications of the bites presents logistical problems with quarantining and complying with state mandates in cases of possible exposure to Rabies. J Morriss was instructed to work with the Animal Inspector to draft a letter that will be mailed to all of the local veterinarians and health clinics that have reported past bites. She was specifically instructed to cite animal bite protocols as specified in the MA general laws and other regulations. • Bills: Board Members signed the FY16 1st quarter invoice from NABOH in the amount of \$4,137.69 (Nursing Service \$1897.95 & Environmental Service \$4239.74) and instructed J. Morriss to submit it on or after July 1. • Miscellaneous: J. Morriss was instructed to post a sign on the door listing the BOH hours and contact information for both the BOH and the NABOH. • Action items for July 13 meeting: Meet with VitaSoyUSA, plan strategies for introducing its new Trash Hauler Regulation (reviewing drafts of letter, check list, and application), and hear M. Spinner's report of the July 9th NABOH meeting.

ADJOURN: M. Spinner made a motion to adjourn at 6:18 p.m. with a 2nd from P. Papineau. A 3/0

Heather Hasz, Chair

Mary Spinner, Clerk

Pamela Papineau, Member