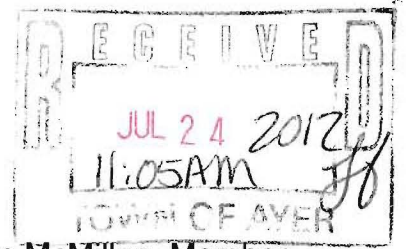


Ayer Board of Health  
Meeting Minutes  
July 9, 2012 - Ayer Town Hall - Call to order 5:02 p.m.



Members present: Mary Spinner, Chair; Margaret Kidder, Clerk; Marilyn McMillan, Member  
Also present: Ruth Terry, Administrative Assistant  
Documents: Agenda, Mail Update, Regulations Review Chart dated 7/9/12

- **M. McMillan motioned to approve the minutes of June 25, 2012, M. Kidder 2<sup>nd</sup>, A 3/0.**
- Bills:
  - All approved and signed bill from NABH for \$5,901.63. This has gone down.
  - All approved and signed bill from MAHB for \$100.00.
- 65 West Main Street – The certified letter sent to the owner from BOH was returned today. He was asked to attend this meeting, but he did not come. B. Braley has visited, but no one came answered the door. The Board discussed possible next steps. M. Spinner to check what can be done going forward. Town Administrator is aware of the situation. This will take time, but we will continue to work on it.
- The Board reviewed other problem properties in town. The owner of two properties with long-standing problems is in jail, so we cannot do anything with those right now.
- Nashoba Associated Boards of Health – Bridgette Braley, Health Agent – material review:
  - Reviewed food, pool, and body piercing permits; septic inspection; housing violation.
  - The Main Street property damaged in a recent fire will be demolished after permit, notification, and safety requirements are met.
  - The Board reviewed and approved the septic plan for a new house on Snake Hill Road.
  - NABH sells SHARPS containers in two sizes for \$5.00 and \$10.00.
- BOH regulation review – An updated regulation review chart was distributed.
  - Outdoor Wood Burning (OWB) - The state refers to these as outdoor hydronic heaters. In the current Ayer regs, Paragraph 3 needs to be corrected to reference the existing state regs. In comparing the town and state regs, B. Braley will talk with her state contact to see what is necessary for an Ayer reg revision. Question re whether state or local law takes precedence. It was suggested to replace Paragraph 3 with a statement that if there is a difference between town and state regs, the stricter would prevail.
  - Abandoned properties – M. Kidder has scheduled a discussion group for July 16. We will check with MAHB. B. Braley is checking with the state.
  - Kennels / Doggie daycare – Pepperell's Town Clerk has shared with us his research on this issue. Plymouth and Harvard have kennel regs. The Board decided to hold this until after completion of abandoned properties and any Nuisance Bylaw amendment.
  - Private wells - This regulation was reviewed by the Board. It has been reformatted and has one change to correct a section reference. In Section 5, the reference to "Section 2.01(5)" was corrected to read "Section 2(3)".
- NACCHO has asked us to complete a survey re disseminating health information about influenza interventions. This will be referred to Nashoba Nursing.
- **M. Kidder motioned to adjourn, M. McMillan 2<sup>nd</sup>, A 3/0.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

*Mary Spinner - 7/23/12*  
*Marilyn McMillan 7/23/12*  
*Margaret Kidder 7/23/12*