Ayer Board of Health Meeting Minutes November 28, 2011

Call to order 5:00 p.m.

Members present: Mary Spinner, Chair; Margaret Kidder, Clerk

Members absent: Marilyn McMillan, Member

Also present: Ruth Terry, Administrative Assistant



- Nashoba Associated Boards of Health Bridgette Braley, Health Agent material review:
 - Reviewed food inspections and housing violation.
 - > R. Terry to follow up with B. Braley re recent inspections.
 - M. Kidder asked whether B. Braley could attend a future BOH meeting to have a discussion with the Board one on one.
- Bills approval None.
- An out-of-town property owner has requested a Transfer Station permit for cleaning out his
 Ayer property. The Board agreed that the regular permit is not applicable, since he is not an
 Ayer resident and also does not have a car registered in Ayer.
- BOH regulation review
 - ➤ Floor drains R. Terry will confirm the specifics in Section 5D and will also check re the "slight change" in state floor drain regs that occurred in 2009.
 - Private wells Nothing yet from Dan Nason. The "as amended" notation in Townsend's regs were standard changes re public notice, so Ayer regs will remain as is. Still need to check if a public hearing is needed to add the paragraph on agricultural wells.
 - ➤ Animals It was confirmed that the current Ayer regs include exotics and wild animals. The animal regs will be signed at the next meeting.
 - Outdoor Wood Burning (OWB) State OWB standards were adopted in December 2008. We will compare the current state standards and any federal standards with Ayer regs.
 - Body art These regs will be signed at the next meeting.
 - > Tobacco These regs will be signed at the next meeting.
 - <u>Kennels</u> Most kennel info in other towns is found under zoning. This issue overlaps with Town Clerk re licensing and rabies and with Animal Control/police re the leash law. It was suggested to check for model regs and possibly doggie day care situations.
 - Aguifer protection M. Spinner will attend the upcoming Zoning Bylaw meeting.
 - Other regs in the queue: medication disposal (M. McMillan, D. Nason); abandoned property (M. Kidder); biomass power plants.
- A local restaurant that has been closed by the owner for a couple of months will be reopening.
 B. Braley to inspect.
- The next BOH meetings will be: Dec. 12, Jan. 9, and Jan 23.
- M. Kidder motioned to adjourn, M. Spinner 2nd, A 2/0.

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Meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

