# Minutes of the BOXFORD BOARD OF HEALTH BOXFORD TOWN HALL TEMPORARY MEETING ROOM #1 April 9, 2014 7:30PM

Present: Richard Fahrner, Louise Kress, Richard Taylor, Alexander Constan, Malcolm Kinnaird

Absent: Director of Public Health, Kendell Longo

Others Present: Minutes Secretary Judi Stickney, Natasha Grigg, Marty Jessel, John Morin

# 7:31PM Meeting Called to Order

With a quorum present, Chairman Fahrner called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

## 7:32PM Announcements, Bills, Minutes:

- **Tick Tubes:** Fahrner announced that tick tubes are available from the Board of Health for \$41.25 box, which will cover a ½ acre lot.
- Bills: Fahrner passed around bills for the Board members to sign.
- Minutes: Minutes were not yet ready for Board approval.

**7:41PM** Variance Request: **22** Balmoral Road, Jamieson: John Morin, of the Morin-Cameron Group, appeared before the Board of Health, representing the applicants, Madelyn and Philip Jamieson. Morin provided copies of the abutter notifications to the Board. The Jamiesons are selling the property and the leaching field failed Title 5. They are replacing the septic system. Morin described the work to be done, noting that the property's septic system was originally designed for four bedrooms when it was built in 1978, but the home had five bedrooms when the Jamieson's bought it in the 80s and they are designing the septic system for five bedrooms. He noted that they've already met with the Conservation Commission. They had no changes and the plan is to close with them next week.

After a brief discussion, the Board took the following action:

**7:48PM** On a **MOTION** made by **Fahrner**, second by **Constan**, the Board of Health **VOTED** unanimously to allow the Soil Absorption System (SAS) to be placed not less than 100 feet from the wetland, where 150' is required. The Variance is granted upon the condition that the wetland delineation shown on the plan is confirmed by the Conservation Commission or the Conservation Administrator. The Variance is granted based on, as designed, the system is the best solution given the physical restrictions of the property.

### 7:49PM Other Business:

 7:49PM Personnel Review for Director of Public Health, Kendell Longo: Fahrner provided copies of the evaluation for the Director of Public Health to the Board members. The Board reviewed the evaluation and after a lengthy discussion:

**7:55PM** On a **MOTION** made by **Kress**, second by **Kinnaird**, the Board of Health **VOTED** unanimously to accept the evaluation for the Director of Public Health.

 7:56PM Questions for NEMMC: Fahrner advised the Board that he sent an e-mail to the NEMMC, asking them to come to the next meeting to address their questions. He added that he had not yet heard if the NEMMC will be able to attend the next meeting. There ensued a lengthy discussion regarding the questions they will ask NEMMC, as well as the wording of the draft document prepared by Taylor, to be sent to NEMMC from the Board of Health.

**8:41PM** On a **MOTION** made by **Kress**, second by **Kinnaird**, the Board of Health **VOTED 4-1 (Taylor: NO)** stating that the Board of Health is in favor of the Town remaining in the Mosquito Control District.

After the vote, the Board continued to discuss the wording of the letter to NEMMC. Kinnaird will work on rewording the document.

**8:49PM** On a **MOTION** made by **Kress**, second by **Constan**, the Board of Health **VOTED** unanimously to authorize Malcolm Kinnaird to work on Taylor's draft letter to Robyn Januszewski, incorporating the questions in the draft and the answers already gotten from Januszewski, to come up with a letter for the Director of Public Health to sign and send to Januszewski.

- 8:51PM Initiative Petition for Town Meeting Warrant to Exit
   NEMMC: The Board discussed the initiative petition and their reasons for voting to support, or not support staying in the Mosquito Control District.
- 9:02PM Follow-Up Discussion on College Loan Reimbursement:
   Fahrner reported on his meeting with the FinCom regarding payments for tuition for the Public Health Director. He noted that the FinCom is concerned with setting a precedent with paying for her tuition, where other departments are handling that differently. The FinCom suggested that there be a salary modification to offset the tuition costs. Fahrner will send an e-mail to the Director of Finance regarding the salary adjustments.
- 9:08PM Vote on Town Meeting Warrant Articles:
   9:08PM On a MOTION made by Kress, second by Kinnaird, the Board of Health VOTED unanimously to support Article 11, to set the annual curbside solid waste collection fee at \$2.50 for each 32-gallon bag or container (each use).

**9:08PM** On a **MOTION** made by **Taylor**, second by **Kress**, the Board of Health **VOTED** unanimously to support **Article 22**, the transfer of land for conveyance by leasing of such property for renewable energy uses.

• 9:09PM Alexander Constan: Alexander Constan expressed his appreciation to his fellow Board members for making his term on the Board informative and enjoyable.

### 9:10PM ADJOURN

With no further business, on a **MOTION** made by **Kress**, second by **Taylor**, the Board of Health **VOTED** unanimously to adjourn at **9:10PM**.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith A. Stickney Minutes Secretary