



Town of Boxford
Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health

November 21, 2016

Present: Hans Jeppesen, Richard Taylor, Rick Fahrner, Heather Forand, Alex Constan, Kendell Longo, Kristin Kwiatek

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Hans Jeppesen

Minutes, Announcements, and Bills

Minutes were reviewed from the October 24, 2016 meeting. **Motion** by **D. Taylor** to accept minutes, seconded by **R. Fahrner**. Approved **unanimously**.

Bills were signed.

610 Main Street-Variance

Robert Grasso from Engineering Land Services was present to request a variance. Boxford Board of Health Regulation 201-9D. No leaching facility in those cases where the percolation rate is less than five (5) minutes per inch shall be installed within 150 feet of a well used as a potable water supply. Specifically the Board of Health voted that the leaching facility shall be located no less than 101 feet from the well serving the property.

Boxford Board of Health Regulation 201-94E. No leaching facility in those cases where the percolation rate is less than five (5) minutes per inch shall be installed within 150 feet of a wetland resource area. Specifically the Board of Health voted that the leaching facility shall be located no less than 107 feet from the wetland resource area.

310 CMR 15.211 Leach field set back to a cellar wall from 20 feet required to 11 feet provided.

The Board granted this variance conditionally based on:

Conservation Agent agreeing with the wetland delineation shown on the plan and the system as designed is the best solution given the physical restrictions of the property.

R. Fahrner motioned to approve the requested variances, seconded by **D. Taylor**. Approved **unanimously**.

Recycling Bin Storage

The Town will no longer be selling recycling bins at Town Hall due to lack of storage.

Action item: Upon answering resident calls regarding bins, will have suggestions on where they can be purchased.

Andrews Farm Update

D. Taylor stated that everything has been winterized and the Town of Topsfield will continue to supply water to the residents until the spring or early summer.

Solar Landfill Update

D. Taylor mentioned to the Board that an abandoned well pipe was destroyed on site and that no one reported the damage. It was not near the cap, however, the concern is that someone could penetrate the liner and just cover it up with no mention to anyone. A point was made that they are being observed during construction. **D. Taylor** stated the response to the last letter sent by The Board was that Spofford Road Solar 1, LLC did not want to test all the soils because they were worried they will find something. The Department of Environmental Protection stated as long as it was not obvious waste that it would be the Board's decision how to proceed. **D. Taylor** read aloud to The Board the drafted letter dated November 21, 2016 to Spofford Road Solar 1, LLC accepting their protocol with conditions. **D. Taylor** confirmed with The Engineer of Record Brian Huntley that according to National Grid, if the poles have to be relocated then the whole plan has to be redesigned.

D. Taylor made a **motion** that it is the feeling of The Board that if Weston & Sampson agrees it is not required to soil test, then The Board agrees with Weston & Sampson, seconded by **A. Constan**. Approved **unanimously**.

After the motion was approved, **D. Taylor** stated that it is The Engineer of Record's position to be present and not someone representing him during the test pits for pole placement.

D. Taylor stated that if any decisions are made at the site, that the Engineer of Record is immediately part of the decision.

R. Fahrner mentioned that the sampling wells should be clearly marked to avoid being damaged.

Adjourn 8:45pm

The next meeting date is set for December 19, 2016 and with no further business there was a **motion** made by **D. Taylor**, seconded by **R. Fahrner**, the Board voted **unanimously** to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristin Kwiatek
Minutes Secretary

