

# Town of Boxford Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health

February 27, 2017

**Present:** Richard Taylor, Richard Fahrner, Alex Constan

Kendell Longo, Kristin Kwiatek

**Absent:** Hans Jeppesen, Heather Forand

# Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Dick Taylor

## Minutes, Announcements, and Bills

Minutes were reviewed from the January 23, 2017meeting. **Motion** by **A. Constan** to accept minutes, seconded by **R. Fahrner** Approved **unanimously**.

Bills were signed.

# **Masconomet Schools Start Time**

Hagan Rivers a member of the Masconomet School Committee and the Start Times Advisory Committee was present to hear the Board's decision on whether or not to write a letter to support a change in a later start time for the schools. Mrs. Rivers was at the January meeting and introduced to the Board some of the collected data to support such change. **A. Constan** stated that he does not believe that the Board can make a recommendation. However, he supports the later start time based on all the data given. **R. Fahrner was** also in support of a later start time but was curious of the impact it might have on after school activities. **D. Taylor** was in support of a start time 8:30 am or later. **A. Constan** will draft a letter to present to the Board for approval at the next meeting.

### **Andrews Farm Water**

**D. Taylor** stated that Doug Conn is going forward with fixing the pump house. Mr. Conn is aware of the deadlines of when Topsfield will cease supplying water. His current main issue is arranging the State sponsored loans.

# Boxford Athletic Association request for electrical outlet at Johnson Field

**D. Taylor** clarified with the Board that there is 44 acres of deeded land that is assigned as a landfill area which includes the 2 capped landfills, all the ball fields, the Town Hall, the Police Station, the Department of Public Works garage, the playground, and the parking lot. **D. Taylor** mentioned the older non-controlled landfill at Johnson Field. It has a clay cap, no liner, and contains a lot garbage, trash, and solid waste along its edges. **D. Taylor** mentioned that under the Post Closure Approval Procedure the Department of Environmental Protection has 45 days to respond to plans for modifications to landfills. **D. Taylor** stated that according to John Dold, that in order to get a power line, there has to be a 2 foot deep trench at a length of 225 feet. The Department of Environmental Protection can either turn down the submitted request or give conditions. **D. Taylor** stated that if plans are to be drawn up they are costly and that if they do trench they will hit solid waste. The Board suggested for Mr. Novak to work with John Dold to search areas for possible pole placement that are not in the capped landfill. A walk around would be a good idea and then to get back in touch with the Board to move forward.

**D. Taylor** asked the Board if they could write and circulate amongst each other the Annual Report assignments and to have them ready for next month's Board meeting.

**R. Fahrner** mentioned if there was an update on if the sampling wells were fixed at the solar field. **D. Taylor** stated he would get in touch with John Dold about the gas monitoring holes.

**R. Fahrner** questioned if any update on re opening the salt shed. **D. Taylor** said the best source for information such as data, results, or further action would be from State Senator Bruce Tarr.

#### Adjourn 8:15pm

The next meeting date will be determined 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