

TOWN OF EASTHAM

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MINUTES EASTHAM BOARD OF HEALTH WORKSHOP THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2015 AT 8:00AM

Present: Dr. Joanna Buffington, Dr. Martin Haspel, Dr. James Taylor, Chair, Glenn Olson, Susan Barker, Jane Crowley,

I. MINUTES

Glenn Olson motioned to approve the following minutes:

- February 19, 2015 Workshop
- March 26, 2015 Workshop
- March 26, 2015 Meeting
- April 30, 2015 Workshop
- April 30, 2015 Meeting

Dr. Joanna Buffington seconded the motion.

5-0 Vote

II. Model Groundwater Protection Regulations

- This regulation will protect the ground water near the well in order to avoid contamination.
- Research was conducted on existing Towns Regulations regarding ground water protection and this model seems to be the best fit.
- The Board of Health would like to make sure that there are no floor drains in establishments close to the well, since this could create future problems.
- The Board of health feels that developing an "inspection team" would be beneficial to protecting the groundwater in the area of the new well. They believe that the team should be made up of the following: Building inspector, Health Agent, and a representative of the Fire Department.
- There was discussion about the possibility of abandoned underground oil tanks near the vicinity of the new well location.
 - o This can be a potential threat.
 - o What do we do if there are abandon tanks in the new well zone?
 - o The Board of Health believes that the time has come where action must be taken.
- The Board of Health would like to bring the Model Groundwater Protection Board of Health Regulations and the Model Floor Drain Regulations before the public at a hearing for discussion and approval.
- The shooting range in eastham has been a topic of concern for ground water contamination. A clean up of this location is currently underway and a lot of testing has been done on the soil in comparison to the depth of groundwater. So far there has not been any sign of contamination.