BOH

December 11, 2013

Regular meeting of the Monson Board of Health was called to order at 6:25 p.m.  
Members present were Beau Schneider, Vicki Alfano and Lorri McCool. Carrie Payne not in attendance. General conversation prior to the meeting called to order. Board waited until 6:25pm for Carrie before calling to order. Leslie Duthie and Audra Staples from the Conservation commission were in attendance.

Motion to accept the minutes from Nov. 20, 2013 was made by Beau Schneider and seconded by Vicki Alfano.

The minutes of March 20, 2013 cannot be accepted at this time and were tabled.

Bill schedules, abatements and licenses signed. Vice Chair, Beau Schneider will temporarily sign under BOH Chairman until the Board is re-structured. Beau Schneider potentially has an individual interested in joining the BOH. Will do follow-up on new possible member.

Board of health responsibilities:

* Beavers – Carrie Payne –Reviewed situation at 126 Bumstead Rd after premise visit by Lorri McCool and Carrie Payne. Well and septic location checked. Per Lorri McCool, there are no set guidelines for how close beaver problem has to be to systems. More a safety issue. Mr. Farrin to hire trapper. With it being trapping season, no permit needed from the Board in this case. Homeowner instructed can’t breach dam. Leslie Duthie and Audra Staples both gave the Board insight on beaver habitats and information on where additional information can be obtained. In some cases, deceptors should be considered. Eco system very sensitive and several endangered species present.Turtles, salamanders, shrews, etc. Board to have further, ongoing discussions and keep close contact with Conservation commission with any questions. Lorri McCool to create an educational letter of explanation to be sent or given to address beaver issues in the future. Will be reviewed by the Board at a future meeting upon completion. Board will try and obtain brochures for the office on the beavers.
* Bulky Day –nothing new to report.
* Communicable Diseases- Beau Schneider- checking MAVEN on a regular basis and doing follow-up on mumps case. Beau has been in contact with Robin at Wing Memorial on follow-up with the mumps case. Not a public health issue. Case still unresolved.
* Emergency Preparedness –Carrie Payne----- not present.
* Finances- Beau Schneider\_-per Claire Forgues, FY2015 budget submitted. Level funded per Selectmen.
* Floor Drains- Beau Schneider- EWS submitted paperwork to Board after floor drain cleaned. No further action at this time.
* Food Safety-Beau Schneider- nothing new to report.

* Hazardous Waste Day-Beau Schneider-$7500.00 included in budget for FY2015
* Health Fair- Carrie- not present.
* Medical Reserve Corp. Beau – nothing new to report.
* Outdoor Wood Burning Units-Beau Schneider-nothing new to report.
* Press Relations-Carrie Payne- not present.
* Recycling- Claire Forgues sent an e-mail to Call 2 recycle to check status. Beau Schneider advised the Board that there is a new re-cycling company in Ludlow, Ma. and he will try and research more info on details of operation.
* Tobacco- Beau –no descript policy on e-cigarettes as of yet.
* Trash-nothing new to report.
* Wells-Lorri McCool & Beau Schneider-nothing new to report.

Pictures taken of remaining Board members for ID’s. When complete, flash driven to be given to fire dept.

Discussion on permit/license fees tabled. Beau, Vicki and Carrie to decide on the structure of their sub-committee and research of surrounding towns. Board will also want Lorri McCool’s input. Beau Schneider asked for the following to be put on the next agenda.

Re-organization, sub-committee formation, packet for new potential Board members and using MAHB as tool.

Reviewed correspondence and mail.

Board collectively to work on annual Town report due in February.

Next meetings scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2014 and Jan. 22nd, 2014 at 5:30pm.

Beau Schneider made motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm and seconded by Vicki Alfano.