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November 5, 2014

Regular meeting of the Monson Board of Health was called to order at 6:00 p.m.Members present were Carrie Payne, Beau Schneider and Vicki Alfano. Lorri McCool was also in attendance.

Guest: Joanna Sorriero.

Beau Schneider discussed the potential Board member packet and asked, if there were any questions.

Lorri McCool advised the Board of a problem with a residence on King St. There had been an issue a couple of years ago with the septic, but now once again there is a problem with the well and there is no water in the home. The resident is handicap, but not a senior. The residence does have support from a local church and there are attendants that do come in and out of the home. At this point, the well company can’t locate the well since the tornado, so Mr. Smart has offered to come in the weekend of the 8th and try and locate the well. If successful, the well company will return and assess the problem. Lorri said, that at that point, she would implement a time frame for repairs, if possible, so that the resident hopefully, doesn’t have to be relocated and the house be condemned. The Board was in agreement to further updates and a timeline.

Final court date for landlord/tenant issue on Thompson St. with tenant to vacate by Feb. 28th, 2015. No further extensions.

Family member made contact with the office on condemned High St. property. Access to be denied to the property.

Lorri to attend a public health meeting on Thursday, Nov. 13th for Hampden County. Information from this meeting to be presented to the Board at a future meeting. At this time, the public health nurse is working Maven and possibly in the future can become involved with monitoring the drug abuse problems in Monson.

Carrie Payne reminded the Board of the special Town meeting on Monday, Nov. 10th at 7p.m.

Discussion on re-wording of the language in our recycling account to be given consideration, so it can be presented at the annual Town meeting in the Spring. Carrie Payne suggested that maybe something could be done with recycling at Summerfest and this would be a way of giving back to the community. Further conversation tabled for a future meeting.

Carrie Payne extended an invitation to Mr. Scott Malo to attend the next meeting regarding “Monson Hears” . Tickets for the presentation on Dec. 4, 2014 at the high school with Chris Herren distributed to Board members.

Vicki Alfano advised two stray cats from condemned address in her barn.

Sani-Can at job sites discussion tabled for future meeting. Beau Schneider has been in discussion with the building inspector. With the impending move to the new Town office building, Beau Schneider will wait until we are settled in our new offices for further research.

Carrie Payne distributed a printed “proposal” for a new structure on the Board meetings. Due to the length of the past meetings, possibly setting time limits for discussion in certain categories might streamline and consolidate the meetings. Beau Schneider and Vicki Alfano were in favor. It was also discussed, if the need still exists for following the “responsibilities list”, as all Board members respond on all duties. It was decided, to use as a guide. This was also a good opportunity to take a vote on a Chair Person, as Beau Schneider has been “Acting Chair”. It was voted 2 to 1 for Carrie Payne to become the new Chair Person.

Beau Schneider asked, if results of the PW tests had been received. To date, the only one in question is Echo Hill Orchard. Lorri McCool had a message from the orchard that they were waiting to close for the season. The Board’s feeling was this should have been done BEFORE this past season. Vicki Alfano and Carrie Payne to go out to the orchard on Sat. Nov. 8 and check status with owners.

Beau Schneider has consulted and researched with the State and also Town legal on the legality of assessing fines for floor drains not properly maintained or paperwork submitted to the Board in a timely manner. All businesses, but one are in compliance. Any provision in the law that currently stands that is not met, falls under, “failure to comply”. Beau to work on the wording for the next meeting and this could be worked into the language for the 2015 letters.

Motion to accept the minutes from October 15, 2014 was made by Beau Schneider and seconded by Carrie Payne. All in favor. The minutes of March 20, 2013 cannot be accepted at this time and were tabled.

Bill schedules, abatements and licenses signed.

Correspondence was reviewed. Literature on the new textile recycling to be tabled for future meeting. Copies to be included for next meeting. Lorri McCool still has #6 from Jan. 8, 2014 meeting.

Building and office keys collected from Vicki Alfano and Carrie Payne in anticipation of our move.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday November 19, 2014 at 6:00 pm.

Beau Schneider made motion to adjourn at 8:31 pm, seconded by Vicki Alfano.

**Carrie Payne ,** Chair Person \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Beau Schneider** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Vicki Alfano** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_