BOH

March 25, 2015

Regular meeting of the Monson Board of Health was called to order at 6:02 p.m.Members present were Carrie Payne, Beau Schneider, Vicki Alfano, Wayne Yee and Joanna Sorreiro.

Lorri McCool, Health/Title V Inspector was also present.

Mr. Chas. Counoyer was in attendance.

Carrie Payne made motion to accept the minutes from the March 11, 2015 meeting and seconded by Vicki Alfano. All in favor. The minutes of March 20, 2013 cannot be accepted at this time and were tabled. Lorri McCool retaining #6 from Jan. 8, 2014 meeting.

Chair Person, Carrie Payne, spoke that now that the Board has a full complement of five (5) members, the Board should take a paper vote for a vice-chair. All (5) votes were cast and Beau Schneider is voted in as Vice chair. Congratulations.

Lorri McCool presented the Board with an update on the displaced resident from High St. She has been accepted at an apartment complex in E. Long. and awaits finalization to occupancy.

Lorri McCool discussed moving forward with the shared nurse for Monson and for 2016 the cost at present would be $ 896.00. This item was not included in the FY2016 BOH budget, as FY2015 was under a grant. There was discussion, as to what exactly the nurse did for the Town and it was determined that she had handled MAVEN along with Beau Schneider and eased the amount of detail involved. The shared nurse had not provided a great amount of other assistance to the Town. Beau Schneider will contact the nurse before June 30th, the end of the Fiscal year and discuss her involvement. Beau along with Lorri McCool did stress however, that there should be someone else from the Board trained in MAVEN. A training would have to take place, so the Board member could obtain their own personal password to the system. At this time, Carrie Payne made motion to not fund the shared nurse for 2016. All in favor.

Wendy Lasage, dog officer for the Town had inquired at the office about Lorri McCool’s animal inspection of ( chickens/cows). Wendy was under the impression that Lorri does these including livestock. Upon Lorri checking with MA Div. of Animal Health-Municipal Animal Inspector List, it is Wendy Lasage that has been appointed. Wayne Yee told the Board, that he had attended a meeting in Palmer recently with discussion on a regional pound. This is possibly where these new questions are surfacing from. Carrie Payne said, years ago, she was under the impression that Monson was actually under a “right to farm” clause. Claire Forgues advised Wendy to contact Lorri for further discussion. Lorri McCool showed the Board the printed list from the State with the appointee’s by town. If necessary, Lorri will do further investigation.

Lorri McCool mentioned to the Board that she has been involved with other Town’s working on their fee schedules for licenses and permits. Although, Monson adjusted some of the fees for 2015, the fee for a retail permit possibly should be re-visited. Should a small retail store be assessed the same as a large grocery/convenience store? Possibly, should be determined by a square footage guideline. The Board tabled this discussion for a further meeting. No further changes would go into effect until 2016 at the earliest, if researched.

Re-wording of the line item for the BOH re-cycling account has been submitted to both Deb Mahar, Finance Director and Evan Brassard, Town Administrator.

Bill schedules, abatements and payroll were signed.

Vicki Alfano has distributed the Re-cycling Contest flyers to Quarry Hill and Granite Valley Schools. Poster board has been ordered and should be in April 4th and distributed to the schools the next day. Joanna Sorreiro has volunteered to collect all the posters from the schools on April 17th and drop at the BOH office for judging at the meeting on the 22nd. Vicki Alfano will be in charge of obtaining the gift cards for prizes.

Wayne Yee will provide the BOH office with the file containing the flyer and directions to be uploaded to a link on the BOH home page.

Beaver permit re-wording tabled for next meeting. Beau Schneider contacted Leslie Duthie and also the USDA .

Updating of BOH home page on town website tabled for next meeting.

The Board briefly discussed May Bulky Day. Carrie Payne, as well as all the Board members were in favor of a swap/re-purposing area. Further planning tabled for the next meeting. Claire Forgues advised the Board, she had sent the permit over to the school for use of the parking lot. At this time, it has not been signed and returned. Carrie Payne asked, if PROSHRED would be there. They have not been scheduled, but Claire Forgues to check.

Monies coming from Republic Services, “gifts to the town”, should be enough to cover the cost of the defibrillator per Vicki Alfano. She also will check with her employer in the medical field, if a prescription is necessary for purchase. More discussion tabled for next meeting.

Correspondence was reviewed. Lorri McCool still has #6 from Jan. 8, 2014 meeting.

Joanna Sorreiro inquired, if the Board had been contacted by anyone regarding increasing the smoking age or electronic cigarettes. No one has contacted the office and Beau Schneider advised that in the past the Board was following the directives from the State on the E-cigs.

Beau did comment that we should all be aware and keep discussion open as necessary.

Next meetings are scheduled for Wednesday April 08, 2015 and April 22nd, 2015 at 5:30 pm.

Carrie Payne made motion to adjourn at 7:14 pm, seconded by Wayne Yee.

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

**Beau Schneider, Vice Chair**  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

**Wayne Yee \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Joanna Sorreiro \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**