

**TOWN OF AYER BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes of September 11, 2017**



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Chair P. Papineau called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Members present included: *Chair* Pamela Papineau, *Clerk* Mary Spinner, *Member* Patricia Peters, and *Administrative Assistant* Jane Morriss. Meeting recorded by APAC

PUBLIC INPUT: September 11, 2001: A candlelight vigil was organized for Friday, September 14, by the late BOH & BOS Member Jane Witherow. It was a huge turnout! The entire street from Town Hall to the Medicine Shoppe was lined with people holding flags and candles. There were speakers and songs, the Town of Ayer did its finest. The 2001 Town Report was dedicated to the event.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: M. Spinner motioned to accept the minutes of July 24 and August 7, and to accept the minutes of August 28th with corrections, to be signed at the next meeting. P. Peters 2nd. **Vote A 3/0.**

NABOH MATERIAL (B. BRALEY):

- Nasoya Odor Complaints: M. Spinner reported that several Nasoya officers attended the last two Board of Selectmen's meetings. There were several people there from the neighborhood as well. Nasoya has been working closely with B. Braley and Michelle Delemarre of the DEP to resolve the odor issues at Nasoya. M. Spinner observed that Nasoya has put millions of dollars into mitigation. The BOH will remain vigilant, but for now the issues are being addressed through the BOS.

ON-GOING BUSINESS:

- RAB Meeting Coverage: The next meeting is scheduled for either the 21st or 28th of September. P. Peters agreed to attend meetings, though P. Papineau will probably be able to attend the September meeting.
- Cannabis & the Legal Smoking Age Update: The Board discussed how it felt that there was nothing more it could do at this time, so the Board agreed to take it off the agenda for now.
- Opioid Crisis (P. Peters): P. Papineau said she thought that Christa Maxant would be happy to participate, to explain the physiology of addiction. Other potential participants include Dr. Ruth Potee, who is Board Certified in Addiction Medicine and practicing in Greenfield; the SHARP group in Shirley; addicts who are in recovery, the Ayer Police Chief, and the Superintendent of Schools.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

- Mail review: The Warrant for Fall Town Meeting has been opened. B. Braley sent a 30-Day Notice to Correct on September 5 to the owner of 25 Columbia Street as a result of complaints about the accumulation of rubbish, garbage and other debris on the property.
- Bills: The Board approved and signed the Second Quarter invoice from NABOH totaling \$6,677.77 (\$2092.49 for Nursing Services and \$4585.28 for Environmental Services).
- Administrative Assistant Update: The BOH office will be moving into the space most recently occupied by the Office of Economic Opportunity to provide the new Town Planner with an office to afford a modicum of privacy.
- P. Papineau will not be able to attend the September 25 BOH meeting. Action items to include continued plans for the opioid program and follow-up about the status of the Chuck Wagon sausage stand at the old Devens Mall.

ADJOURN: M. Spinner motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm, and P. Peters 2nd. **Vote 3/0**

Pam Papineau
Pam Papineau, Chair

Mary Spinner
Mary Spinner, Clerk

Patricia Peters
Patricia Peters, Member