





TOWN HALL - 1 MAIN STREET - AYER, MASSACHUSETTS 01432 - (978) 772-8213

Minutes of March 8, 2021 - Ayer Board of Health Meeting

Location: First Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall Meeting was recorded and broadcast by APAC

Members Present: Pamela Papineau, Chairman, Patricia Peters and Stephen Slarsky

(Members participated remotely)

Also Present: Heather Hampson, Administrative Coordinator and Bridgett Braley from Nashoba Associated Boards of Health

Chairman Papineau opened the meeting at 4:31 PM

Public Input

None.

Discussion, Trash Hauler Regulations

- P. Papineau stated that at the last meeting Laurie Sabol and Irene Congdon from MassDEP gave a presentation to the Board regarding Soil Waste Trash Hauler Regulations and additions that can be made to meet current state laws. P. Papineau stated that she went through the current waste hauler regulations and a few of the suggestions made at the meeting last week seem to be in the regulations already. P. Papineau stated that she does have a few questions for Ms. Irene Congdon regarding the suggested changes to the regulations.
- P. Peters expressed concerns on oversite on compliance on existing and any changes to regulations requiring recycling.
- P. Papineau agreed that ensuring compliance will be a challenge.
- P. Papineau suggested that the Board continue to review the existing regulations and the suggestions from Ms. Congdon and discuss them at the next meeting. Laurie Sabol and Irene Congdon will be coming back to the Board on April 12th.

COVID-19

B. Braley stated that the town continues to move in the right direction with numbers falling and more people being vaccinated. The next few weeks may be different with numbers increasing but will have to wait and see. B. Braley went over guidelines for those that have been vaccinated stating that they still need to wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

NABOH Update

B. Braley stated that she continues to complete the food inspections for the Board which have increased with the ability for restaurants to be opened at full capacity as long as 6 feet of distancing between tables is maintained. B. Braley also stated that she has conducted a few housing inspections as well.

Minutes from February 22, 2021

At 5:06 PM P. Peters made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. S. Slarsky seconded. No discussion. Vote to approve 3-0.

Mail

- H. Hampson stated that the nomination papers for the animal inspector came in the mail this week from the Department of Agriculture. This will be added to the next agenda for a formal vote.
- P. Papineau stated that the Board also needs to vote to approve to spend the annual stipend for the animal inspector for the fiscal year.

At 5:13 PM P. Papineau made motion to release the stipend for the animal control officer for the fiscal year 2021. P. Peters seconded. No discussion. Vote to approve 3-0.

Action Items for March 22, 2020

P. Papineau stated at the next meeting the Board will continue to discuss the Trash Hauler Regulations and continued update from Nashoba Board of Health on COVID-19.

Adjourn:

S. Slarsky motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 PM, and P. Peters seconded. No discussion. Unanimous vote to approve. (3-0-0)

Pamela Papineay, Chair Patricia Peters, Member Steven Slarsky, Member

Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Hampson, Administrative Coordinator