

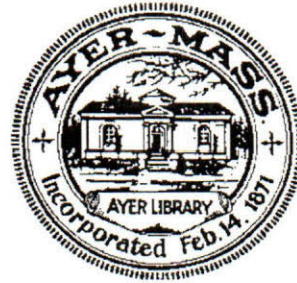
**TOWN OF AYER BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2016**

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm.

Members present included: *Acting Chair & Clerk* Mary Spinner,  
*Member* Pamela Papineau and *Administrative Assistant* Jane Morriss.  
*Chair* Heather Hasz was not in attendance

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**PUBLIC INPUT:** None.

**NABOH MATERIAL REVIEW (B. Braley):** M. Spinner said she was concerned about the lack of communication between New England Flatbread and the BOH. Even with the opening reportedly being eminent, they still have not scheduled any inspections with B. Braley. Mark diCicco was one of three owners, but he is no longer be associated with the company. The two owners do not have food service experience. Routine inspections included Dunkin Donuts and Verona Pizza, neither of which had any critical violations. Dippin Donuts has plans to move into 210 West Main Street (the Devens Plaza, and M. Spinner said it concerned her that there was no place to have a drive-through. B. Braley approved an application for a variance from Ayer Zoning Bylaw for the construction of a swimming pool on a corner lot with frontage on two sides at 31 Williams Street. She also discovered that Mark diCicco kitchen has been providing food to the Billiard's Café. His kitchen is licensed for only his three current enterprises. Someone also told her he was providing food to the Lamp and Dragon. She has not been able to speak with M. DiCicco yet concerning this. She is following up with the parties involved. B. Braley is also dealing with a possible condemnation with notice following a housing inspection of a trailer at the Pine Knoll Park, 11 Groton School Road #6. On December 29, 2015, B. Braley did a housing inspection of the trailer at the request of its tenant. She found some serious violations (lack of adequate heat and questions about water service to the trailer lead the list). There may have been a court hearing on March 31. B. Braley said she plans to revisit the unit with another inspector and possibly a police escort as well. J. Morris was asked to follow up with B. Braley about the disposition of this matter.

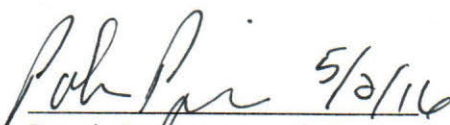
**REPORT OF NABOH EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 31 (M. Spinner):** NABOH has weathered last year's "perfect storm" during which they lost several long-time nurses due to retirement. One member resigned due to all the changes in the health care industry. Agency help was used during this period. New staff has been hired including a nurse to run the Hospice program, five RNs, 1 LPN, 1 physical therapist, and one new hospice nurse. They are currently looking for an occupational therapist. One hundred percent of the families served by Hospice returned their surveys yielding not one single complaint! There are still positions open: a social worker position has been retained to help people get the services they need in de-cluttering their homes. The Nursing and Hospice Unit will be moving to 3 Patterson Road in Shirley on May 6<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup>. The pension issue has yet to be resolved—M. Spinner said she believes nothing will happen until after the election. In the meantime, NABOH continues to set aside additional reserve funds each month.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM March 28:** P. Papineau motioned to accept the minutes of the March 28 meeting and M. Spinner seconded; the Board voted to accept the minutes. **2/0 A**

**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS: Mail Review: Miscellaneous Discussion:** Townspeople were advised to check their dogs for ticks every time they come into the house from outside. A new scourge—the Texas Tick —also known as the Lone-Star Tick—has migrated into our area and dogs bitten by these ticks are falling very ill. Although symptoms among humans are reportedly rare, victim can become violently ill after eating meat. J. Morriss reported it's time for her to mail out animal permit applications and that the project will demand a few extra hours of her time, which are available. **Future items/Action items:** P. Papineau plans to attend the April 14 RAB meeting to be convened at 7 pm at 33 Andrews Drive, Devens, and the members will be updated on the Shepley's Hill remediation project. M. Spinner reported that Fin Com Member Marianne Zawacki has been busy training and will be running in the Boston Marathon to benefit Children's Hospital

**ADJOURN:** P. Papineau motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 pm with M. Spinner 2<sup>nd</sup>. **A 3/0**

  
Mary Spinner, Clerk  
5/2/16

  
Pamela Papineau, Member  
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