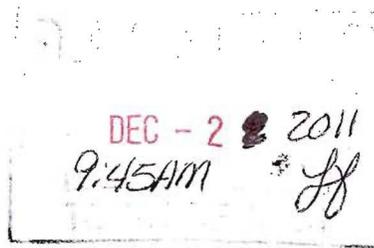


Ayer Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2011



Call to order 5:00 p.m.

Members present: Mary Spinner, Chair; Margaret Kidder, Clerk

Members absent: Marilyn McMillan, Member

Also present: Ruth Terry, Administrative Assistant

- The Board will meet on November 28 and once in December (on Dec. 12).
- **M. Kidder motioned to approve the minutes of October 26, 2011, M. Spinner 2nd, A 2/0.**
- Nashoba Associated Boards of Health – Bridgette Braley, Health Agent – material review:
 - Reviewed bite report, permit renewals, and housing violation.
- Properties update –
 - The common hall at 8 Lawton Street has been cleared. No current tenant complaints.
 - The Hudlin property has been secured.
 - The Board will ask B. Braley to do a quick unscheduled inspection of Verona's.
 - Several complaints have been received about the smell at Nasoya. B. Braley was notified; she has contacted DEP.
 - The problem in the Ayer Town vault has been corrected.
 - There appears to be a kennel on Groton Shirley Road that does not have a kennel license. The Board will look into it.
 - A complaint has been received re health conditions on Pleasant Street. R. Terry to follow up with B. Braley.
 - R. Terry will get updates from B. Braley about several other ongoing property issues.
- Bills approval – None.
- Mail reviewed:
 - An inquiry was received from a new Lunenburg BOH member requesting background information about NABH operations, policies, etc.
 - During the recent snowstorm, Ayer BOH did not receive any calls for shelter. Apple Valley and Ayer-Shirley Middle School took in people; Ayer Police Station (warming center) had 15. MEMA reported that hospitals experienced an influx of people needing power to run medical equipment.
- BOH regulation review –
 - Private wells – Nothing yet from Dan Nason. B. Braley reviewed and suggested adding a section on agricultural wells similar to that in Townsend's regs. It was agreed to leave fines as they are. R. Terry will check the state law (the "as amended" note in Townsend's "Authorization" section) and will check with the state whether a public hearing is required to amend these regs by adding a paragraph.
 - Outdoor Wood Burning (OWB) – R. Terry will confirm whether paragraph 3 is still correct with regard to state and federal standards. The Board agreed to change only the format (no text) and, at the next meeting, to sign a page noting "Reviewed with no changes" for the current regs.
 - Body art – B. Braley reviewed and found our regs follow state regs. The Board agreed to change only the format (no text) and, at the next meeting, to sign a page noting "Reviewed with no changes" for the current regs.
 - Floor drains – B. Braley is reviewing this regulation.
 - Aquifer protection – Comments are needed for this regulation.

- Tanning – Ayer follows current state regs, and NABH issues the tanning permit. The Board agreed it should receive a copy of the “Inspection Report 105 CMR 123.003 Tanning Facilities” (yellow) sheet for each tanning site in Ayer and that the specific statute should be listed on the permit.
 - Animals – Must check our regs with regard to exotics.
 - Medication disposal – R. Terry to send literature to D. Nason.
- Tobacco renewal applications have gone out.
 - **M. Kidder motioned to adjourn, M. Spinner 2nd, A 2/0.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Mary Spinner - 11/28/11
Margaret Kidder 11/28/11