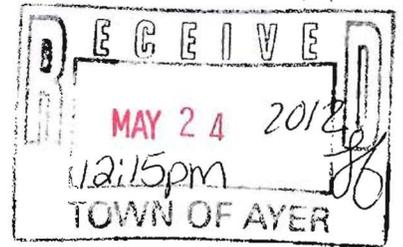


Ayer Board of Health  
Meeting Minutes  
April 9, 2012

Call to order 5:03 p.m.



Members present: Mary Spinner, Chair; Margaret Kidder, Clerk  
Members absent: Marilyn McMillan, Member  
Also present: Ruth Terry, Administrative Assistant

- **M. Kidder motioned to approve the minutes of March 26, 2012, M. Spinner 2<sup>nd</sup>, A 2/0.**
- No material was received this week from Nashoba Associated Boards of Health.
  - Kentucky Fried Chicken was closed April 1 by corporate decision.
  - We received a complaint about chickens on 32 Calvin Street. This is along the water. We sent permit information to the landowner and are awaiting an application. After we review the application, Conservation will need to review.
  - Complaints have been received about idling trains behind Shirley Street. Residents have taken pictures. Information has been sent to B. Braley. She has notified the state.
  - The Emergency Beaver Permit for railroad for work off Willow Road was issued by B. Braley.
- Bills – None.
- Mail review –
  - M. Spinner will complete the Region 2 survey about BOH participation in our Local Emergency Planning Committee.
  - DEP has approved the Zone 2 Grove Pond Treatment Facility expansion and wells.
  - The Quarterly Inspection Report for Liberty Tire (formerly Routhier) again looks good.
- Barn Animal Inspector followup –
  - R. Terry contacted Massachusetts Dept. of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) to clarify this position. MDAR considers Ayer's position as filled by two people – Carlene Purdy, who is responsible for barn inspections only, and Bob Friedrich, who is the Animal Control Officer and handles quarantines.
  - In Ayer, the Barn Inspector is nominated by the BOH and is a stipend position only. The Animal Control Officer falls under the Police Dept.
  - The new Barn Inspector and the current Animal Control officer received letters confirming this.
  - The Board agreed that a memo should be drafted to the Ayer Police Chief explaining this division of responsibilities and including the BOH Keeping of Animals regulation.
  - BOH and B. Braley handle potential violations of the Keeping of Animals regulation.
  - Ruth Maxant commented that MDAR regulations require that an animal found on someone else's land be handled by a certified drover.
- **M. Kidder motioned to adjourn, M. Spinner 2<sup>nd</sup>, A 2/0.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

*Mary Spinner - 5/23/12*  
*Margaret Kidder 5/23/12*