



TOWN OF AYER

BOARD OF HEALTH

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Minutes of November 14, 2022 - Ayer Board of Health Meeting

Location: 1st Floor Meeting room, Ayer Town Hall

Meeting was recorded and broadcast by APAC

Members Present: Stephen Slarsky – Chair; Patricia Peters; Pam Papineau

Also Present: Bridgette Braley, Health Agent, Nashoba Boards of Health; Samantha Benoit, Administrative Coordinator

Stephen Slarsky called the meeting to order at 5:33pm

The Board decided against entering Executive Session since there is no new information.

Public Input:

There was no one present for public input.

Nashoba Update:

B. Braley presented the Nashoba update earlier in the meeting due to having to leave the meeting early. Annual Food Permits were issued to the following business for 2023. Subway, Junction RPD, Upon a Cake, Osava Bistro, Wendy's, Ruby Donut, Lazy Mary's, Pinard's Florist, Nashoba Club, Shaker Hills Country Club, Deven's Pizza, Ayer Gun Club, Nashoba Park, Woo Jung, Verona Pizza, Nashoba Valley Medical Center, Tiny's, The Family Dollar, Karyn's Kitchen, Fresh Ayer Nutrition, and McDonald's.

A complaint was investigated about the cleanliness of McDonald's, the restaurant was inspected on October 14, 2022, and October 31, 2022. Improvements have been made, and it will be reinspected in about 30 days.

There were three housing inspections scheduled recently.

The landlord of 24 Hatch St. sent a letter stating that the issues have been fixed, and a reinspection has been scheduled. A letter was sent to 23 Shirley St., the landlord stated they would not rent the property until the issues were fixed; however, the current tenants have not left. There was a complaint about wasps at 54 E. Main St. however no one was there at the time of the scheduled inspection.

Old Business:

B. Braley noted that the Sandy Pond Algae Bloom has subsided. An official toxic algae analysis will be done to make this official. The pond will be tested again in the spring.

S. Slarsky asked is more than one area of the pond will be tested.

B. Braley stated that the cost of each test is high but will ask if three tests for the price of one can be done.

The Board agreed to remove the COVID Update from all future agendas.

New Business:

B. Braley and S. Benoit gave the Animal Inspector update having both recently spoken with the animal inspector.

The home on Doug Rd. had not at the time of the meeting applied for their Animal and Fowl permit, but the Animal Inspector noted that all chickens on the property were in good health and being housed

appropriately. A letter was sent to 17 Taft St. along with a copy of the Animal and Fowl permit application, there has been no response at this time.

Call Log:

Most calls in the past month were regarding Sandy Pond and how safe it was to remove private docks from the water.

Administrative Matters:

The renewals for Tobacco and Trash Hauler permits were presented by S. Benoit.

A motion was made by P. Papineau to accept the Tobacco Permit applications. Seconded by P. Peters.

Motion Passes (3-0)

The accepted Tobacco Permits are for Pauline's Variety, Shop 'n Save, G.W. Archer, the Jack O'Lantern, and Alltown Fresh.

A motion was made by P. Papineau to accept the Trash Hauler Permit applications. Seconded by P. Peters.

Motion Passes (3-0)

The accepted Trash Hauler Permits are for D&D Waste Removal, and Mitrano Removal.

A motion was made by P. Peters to accept the October 17, 2022, Minutes. Seconded by P. Papineau.

Motion Passes (3-0)

P. Peters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by P. Papineau.

Motion Passed (3-0)

Meeting Adjourned at 6:03pm



Stephen Slarsky, *Chair*



Respectfully

Submitted,

Samantha Benoit, *Administrative Coordinator*