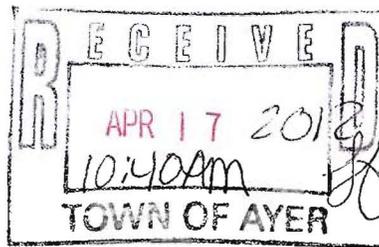


Ayer Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
March 26, 2012



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

- **M. Kidder motioned to approve the minutes of March 12, 2012, M. Spinner 2nd, A 2/0.**
- Bills:
 - All approved and signed bill from NABH for \$7,131.00.
- Barn Animal Inspector Nomination –
 - The Board reviewed the history of this position. BOH nominates the Barn Inspector, who is appointed by the Dept. of Agricultural Resources (MDAR). There are two barns in Ayer.
 - Three applications were received, with one other inquiry. The present inspector indicated his wish to be reappointed.
 - **M. Kidder motioned to offer the position of Municipal Barn Animal Inspector to Carlene Purdy of Ayer, MA, M. Spinner 2nd, A 2/0.**
 - Questions to research include: (1) coordination between Barn Inspector, Animal Control Officer, Police Dept., and the BOH health agent and (2) clarification with MDAR re quarantine and also re other animals in Town (e.g., chickens).
- Nashoba Associated Boards of Health – Bridgette Braley, Health Agent – material review:
 - The Board reviewed permit renewals and animal bite report.
 - An Emergency Beaver Permit has been requested by the railroad for work off Willow Road. B. Braley is reviewing. Conservation Commission has issued an Emergency Certification.
- M. Kidder attended the Citizen Planner Training Collaborative workshop last week. She reports their offerings were very good, and she recommends future CPTC workshops for BOH and other Town departments.
- M. Spinner reported on the recent Emergency Team meeting:
 - The Team includes public safety, BOH, schools, hospital, nursing home, Senior Center, and the Ayer Animal Medical Center veterinarian.
 - They have completed a shelter plan and a pamphlet. These will go out to Ayer households.
 - Ayer has a shelter trailer stocked with blankets, dog crates, etc. In the last storm, the Shirley middle school was used as a shelter. The Team is working on how to be aware of who may need special attention (oxygen, generators, transportation) in an emergency situation.
 - Chief Pedrazzi gave an update on the ethanol train situation. Trains will start running in a year. The Fire Dept. has received training and has special equipment in place.
- **M. Kidder motioned to approve the FY13 Transfer Station and Bulk Item fees, as discussed on March 12, 2012, M. Spinner 2nd, A 2/0.** No changes from the FY12 amounts.
- In answer to last meeting's question re the "pooper scooper" bylaw (Town Bylaws Article XXXII §3 ¶4) – The fee is \$15.00 per violation and is enforced by the Ayer Police or Animal Control Officer. Fee information is in Town Bylaws Article XXXVII, Paragraph 12.
- We have heard nothing new from the potential buyer of 61 Groton School Road.

- **M. Kidder motioned to adjourn, M. Spinner 2nd, A 2/0.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Mary Spinner - 4/9/12
Margaret Kidder 4/9/12