

BOH

May 4, 2016

Regular meeting of the Monson Board of Health was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Chair, Beau Schneider.

Members present were Wayne Yee, Vicki Alfano, and Joanna Sorreiro. Lorri McCool, Health/Title V Inspector and Carrie Payne were absent. Resident , Mr. Chas. Cournoyer was also present.

The minutes of March 20, 2013 cannot be accepted at this time and were tabled.

A meeting with Finn McCool tabled for a future meeting.

Discussion on barn inspections tabled for next meeting.

Recapping totals from Bulky day discussed. Claire Forgues and Kymme Wood worked until 4 p.m. balancing slips and total monies at the conclusion of the event. All present eager to suggest changes. Traffic flow needs to be controlled better and not be backed up on the street, if possible. Second officer sent by Chief. Long waits in line discussed however, many delinquent bills taken in before dumping and also much construction debris was refused. No trash bags or barrels were to be accepted. Joanna Sorreiro suggested the possibility of doing away with accepting electronics. First Church in Monson holds an electronic event usually a few weeks before Bulky Day. Possibly, this might be the avenue to go with eliminating electronics and not having to pay the steep fee for the roll-offs. Mr. Cournoyer said, "is there a possibility of having a waste day for just construction debris?" The answer was no, as those are materials homeowners are responsible for disposing of and not through Republic Services. Joanna Sorreiro and Vicki Alfano suggested another "checkpoint" right at the beginning where the cars enter Granite Valley. At this point, vehicles would be checked for contents and any vehicle containing non-acceptable items would be turned away and they could return without those items for disposal. Also, anyone with an outstanding bill would have to be pulled from the line and dealt with individually, as to not impede the traffic flow. Mr. Cournoyer inquired, if the BOH could stop taking trash bill payments on Bulky Day. The answer was "no". Another problem Wayne Yee mentioned residents not unloading their own cars. It has always been policy for town assistance with extremely heavy items, if necessary or limited assistance. Vicki Alfano was confronted in passing out the slips that something should be done by the Board regarding the lengthy wait time and then threatening not to re-elect her as a Board member. She advised the resident that the Board is totally voluntary and THEIR assistance would be welcomed! Joanna Sorreiro suggested that prior to the event starting (possibly 7:45 a.m. or so), all workers/operators could have a short meeting, so that everyone was on the same page about what could and could not be dumped. Great suggestion. Chair Beau Schneider requested, Claire Forgues speak to Mike Szczepan from Republic Services and schedule him to attend our next meeting. Mike could possibly have suggestions on how the event could be run more efficiently and ask for the amount of tonnage removed, if possible. Joanna Sorreiro asked, where people dump construction material. Wayne Yee stated that a homeowner is responsible for removing their own debris thru a privately contracted dumpster or from whom ever is doing their renovations. Not up to the Town to subsidize that. Wayne Yee will work on a PDF file to be added to the BOH page as a link, listing the acceptable and

non-acceptable Bulk items. Another problem was no access to a bathroom for workers. Hillside School now closed. There was only a sani-can on the school track at Granite Valley and also up at Quarry Hill. With the volume of cars participating, it was difficult for anyone to seek facilities. Joanna Sorreiro stated that at the Fall event, no sani-can - no work. Claire Forgues suggested and all were in agreement that a letter should first be drafted to the Journal Register in "Letter to the Editor" from the BOH. Joanna Sorreiro to start the skeleton of the letter and thru e-mail additions and deletions will finish the draft. Between now and the next event in Sept. another article will be submitted when more guidelines are refined. Beau Schneider also discussed the amount of scrap metal is sent up to P & F. Fred and Jane from P & F can be invited to attend a meeting in the future to discuss the scrap. Beau Schneider would like to see the following addressed at the next meeting:

#1 traffic flow #2 material accepted #3 managing checkpoints #4 pre- Bulky Day meeting for staff #5 sani-can #6 interfacing #7 P & F #8 electronics – yes/no #9 truckload fee increases, as appropriate.

Two letters are to be drafted to two offending residents about future disposal. Wayne Yee stated that the Hillside School site needs to be secured before and after the event. As by what means, tabled for future discussion and possibly police dept. input. Thank you letters for donuts, coffee and lunch ready for signatures. Adam's letter to go attention "Bob" mgr. BOH will purchase water for next event. Next meeting to continue Bulky Day discussion.

Licenses, permits, payroll and bill schedules signed.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

Joanna Sorreiro made motion to adjourn at 6:45 pm, seconded by Wayne Yee.

**Beau Schneider , Chair Person** \_\_\_\_\_

**Wayne Yee, Vice Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vicki Alfano** \_\_\_\_\_

**Carrie Payne** \_\_\_\_\_

**Joanna Sorreiro** \_\_\_\_\_