

TOWN OF GROTON Board of Health 173 Main Street Groton, Massachusetts 01450

## MEETING MINUTES June 1, 2015

Board of Health Members Present: Jason Weber, Chairman Robert Fleischer, Member Susan Horowitz, Member

Others Present: Ira Grossman, Health Agent Regina Beausoleil, Interdepartmental Assistant

Not present:

Meeting Called to Order:

Chairman Weber called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm in the Town Hall.

## **PUBLIC HEARING Board of Health Fee Schedule**

Member Fleischer read the Public Hearing Legal notice aloud to open up the public hearing. Michelle Collette, Land Use Director was before the board to present the fee schedule changes. She stated the fees have remained relatively low for the past couple of years. She proposed slight increases of some of the current fees. She stated she would send a cover letter to the Town Clerk outlining the changes and file it with him to be effective July 1, 2015. Member Fleischer remarked that the increases seemed very reasonable.

Member Horowitz made a motion to accept the fee schedule changes as proposed. Member Fleischer seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Member Horowitz made a motion to close the public hearing. Member Fleischer seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

## **Re-organization**

Member Horowitz nominated Bob Fleischer as new Chairman effective immediately. Member Weber seconded and the vote was unanimous.

#### Tick Boxes - Andrew Davis - Sargisson Beach Committee

Mr. Davis was before the Board to present a proposal on an alternative type of tick box that he recently came across, possibly to be utilized at Sargisson Beach. He stated the boxes need to be installed by a licensed contractor and are good for about 90 days. He said the typical tick tube can be destroyed and has adverse effect on fish, noting that this box is used by allowing a mouse to enter the box and have the chemical rubbed onto its body with no adverse effects on mice or chipmunks. Michelle Collette asked if the installer will have a pesticide license. Mr. Davis asked if there were any permits required. Mr. Grossman answered no. Mr. Davis stated he would need Conservation Commission approval.

Member Weber stated that it seemed like a good idea but still has concerns about children possibly coming across the boxes and playing with them. Chairman Fleischer stated he would like to see ticks controlled but would need a baseline in order to determine the boxes effectiveness. Member Horowtiz asked if we could request the company do a drag beforehand.

## **Mosquitos**

The board members discussed going back to Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project.

# Member Horowitz made a motion to approach the Board of Selectmen to join the CMMCP for 2016. Chairman Fleischer seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

#### 8 Hazel Road

Mr. Grossman discussed the incomplete Title 5 that was received from Ratta Corp regarding 8 Hazel Road that did not pass due to bad water quality. There is town water available at the property.

Member Weber made a motion to require the current property owner to connect to Town Water. Member Horowitz seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Member Horowitz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 PM. Member Weber seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina Beausoleil

#### APPROVED: May 16, 2016