

TOWN OF BOURNE BOARD OF HEALTH 24 Perry Avenue Buzzards Bay, MA 02532 Phone (508) 759-0615 x1 Fax (508) 759-0679



MINUTES MARCH 14, 2012

Members in attendance: Kathy Peterson, Chairman; Stanley Andrews, Vice Chair;

Don Uitti; Galon Barlow, Carol Tinkham

Support Staff in attendance: Cynthia Coffin, Health Agent; Carrie Furtek, Health

Inspector; Melissa Chase, Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Kathy Peterson.

After calling the meeting to order, Ms. Peterson informed the audience that the members of the Board had attended a workshop at 5:30 pm to take the NIMS 700 (National Incident Management System) Training course. This course is sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and is a requirement for all Board members and staff to complete.

1) Discuss draft revisions of Wind Turbine Regulations as proposed at February 22, 2012 meeting

Ms. Peterson offered copies of the draft to anyone audience members who wanted them. Attorney Wall had left her a message stating that he had reviewed everything and thanked the office staff for "an excellent job" getting everything off to him guickly. He made some changes that are listed on his memo. Ms. Peterson stated that there would be no vote on accepting the draft as the final regulation, but asked the Board to look at it to make sure that the changes are agreeable. If the changes are acceptable, Ms. Coffin would be directed to publish the draft in the newspaper, and they will be voted into record at the March 28, 2012 meeting. Mr. Andrews "was happy" with the adjustments and corrections, and felt that Attorney Wall did a good job with some "housekeeping" (grammar corrections, alphabetizing, etc). He felt confident that the Board had accomplished what they set out to do by making the regulations. He understands that there are members of the public that may wish for other items to be addressed, but those may be addressed in the future. Ms. Peterson stated that concerns may be brought to the office at any time to be addressed. Mr. Barlow felt Town Council did a good job addressing the concerns of the DEP. Mr. Uitti had no concerns. Ms. Tinkham questioned why the "higher than 75 feet" had been removed from applicability section. She was reminded by Mr. Andrews that it was decided to remove it because the regulations were intended to be applicable to all WECS, not just those over 75 feet. There had been so many draft revisions that it got placed back in inadvertently. After the explanation, she stated that she thought the draft looked great and was happy with it. Ms. Peterson stated again that Attorney Wall had expressed thanks to the Office for the preliminary work completed before it reached him; it helped him get the changes the Board desired done quickly. She asked if there were any audience members that wanted to address the issue. Chris Kapsambelis of Pocasset expressed confusion as to whether the applicant would need a permit from the Board of Health, or if it was just a notification. Mr. Andrews explained that it was not a permit process, but a notification. There are certain requirements that must to be submitted along with that written notification. Mr. Kapsambelis stated that he understood that, but didn't understand the purpose of the "ambient noise study"; he felt the phrase "ambient study" didn't give any indication that they have to meet any sort of a standard. Mr. Andrews pointed out that the regulations state that the applicable industry standards must be utilized. Ms Coffin stated that

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the having the baseline of the ambient study in place and knowing what the cap amount is allows the Board a tool for compliance enforcement. Mr. Andrews further explained that in the notification process, the applicant would be required to show the Board what the ambient noise of the site is *prior* to development of the WECS, and they are given the maximum cap which cannot be exceeded. It is up to the applicant to do the work to make sure they can conform to the standard. Mr. Kapsambelis stated that he finally understood that the ambient noise study was to be performed prior to the installation of the WECS. Ms. Peterson asked for MS. Coffin to have the revised regulations published on the newspaper and to have the WTR on the agenda for the March 28, 2012 meeting to be voted in as the finalized regulations. No further discussion was needed on the WTR revisions.

2) Discuss and Vote regarding Tier III Beach designation for Gilder Road, Patiusset and Sagamore Beach

Ms. Coffin explained that these were 3 additional beaches that can be allowed to have Tier III status, which allows them to be tested only every 30 days. They have had good samplings for 3 years. Her only concern was for Patiusset. Although it has tested good recently, there have been problems in the past. She has spoken to the testing agency, and it is an option for it to be tested every 14 days and still be covered by the DPH program that allocates funding to the county. Ms. Coffin stated that she believes there is going to be a new dingy dock going in at Hen's Cove. She felt there would not be a problem with Gilder Rd and Sagamore Beach with 30 day testing, but feels that it would be beneficial to have Patiusset tested every 14 days.

Mr. Barlow made a motion to accept the Tier III Beach designation for Gilder Road, Patiusset and Sagamore Beach, with 30 day testing for Gilder Road and Sagamore Beach and 14 day testing for Patiusset. Mr. Andrews seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Approval of Minutes dated February 22, 2012

Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the Minutes dated February 22, 2012 as submitted. Mr. Uitti seconded the motion. Ms. Tinkham abstained because she had been absent at the meeting. The motion to accept the Minutes as submitted passed.

Mr. Andrews made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Barlow seconded the motion. The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted		
Melissa A. Chase Secretary		
Kathleen Peterson	 	
Stanley Andrews	 	
Galon Barlow	 	
Don Uitti	 	
Carol Tinkham		
cc Board of Selectmen/Town Clerk		