



## TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS

### BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES GREAT BARRINGTON FIRE STATION CONFERENCE ROOM 37 STATE RD, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA Thursday, March 8, 2018 6:30 P.M

#### **PRESENT**

Michael Lanoue, Chair  
Peter Stanton, Vice Chair  
Dr. Ruby Chang, MD

#### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Michael Lanoue called the meeting to order at 6:30PM

#### **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

February 1, 2018 Regular Meeting

**MOTION:** Peter Stanton moved to approve the February 1, 2018 meeting minutes.

**SECOND:** Ruby Chang

**VOTE:** 3-0

#### **C. BUSINESS**

- a. **Construct's Annual Mayfest Event**, food and wine tasting. Lisa Hendricks, on behalf of Construct requests a fee adjustment for all Temporary Food Event permit applications.

Lisa Henriques of Construct, Inc. requested that the Board of Health waive all permit application fees for all food vendors. Ms. Henriques explained that Mayfest is the largest fundraiser and they are able to bring in significant funds for Construct's projects. Michael Lanoue suggested doing the same for Construct, Inc.'s Mayfest as what it done for Berkshire Grown's Harvest Festival.

**MOTION:** Peter Stanton moved to waive the vendor fee for Board of Health permits and to charge Construct a flat rate of \$250.00.

**SECOND:** Ruby Chang

**VOTE:** 3-0

- b. **Solid Waste Hauler Regulations:** Review and Discussion.

Robert Brownson of Roger Trucking said that he has concerns about the hours of operation in the proposed draft regulations. Mr. Brownson said that his business has operating in Great Barrington for many years without a restriction on hours. He continued that this would present a big challenge for his business and inhibit the level of service they are able to provide for their customers. Michael Lanoue asked if they operate a full week, Sunday- Saturday. Mr. Brownson said Roger Trucking is not always out on weekends but the occasional roll off pick up is on a weekend. Mr. Brownson said Saturdays are typically busy for them and he does not want to not be able to work on Sundays if there was an emergency. Mr. Brownson said the newer trucks are not a loud and disturbing to residents as the older ones used to be. Mr. Brownson said Roger Trucking will not begin the pickups in residential zones until 6:30AM, he said they also need to be done by the time the transfer station closes at 3:30PM. Mr. Brownson said the Section 5 (A) is also problematic suggesting that it is changed to "*if waste is spilled or scattered during the collection process it will be immediately cleaned up by the hauler.*" The Board agreed that this section should be amended and

instructed the Agent to make the edits. Mr. Brownson said there is a significant difference between the rental units where the landlord provides garbage pick-up and the units that don't have garbage pick-up. Ms. Jurczyk said the only requirement is for a landlord to provide "adequate" receptacles for dwellings with three or more units.

- c. **GB on Tap;** Presentation of the proposed Bylaw for the May 2018 Town Meeting Warrant which would ban the sale of single use, non-flavored, non-sparkling water bottles.

Marj Wexler and Wendy Kleinman representing the GB on Tap Woman's Environmental Group presented to the Board of Health. Ms. Kleinman explained that GB on Tap hopes to promote the municipal tap water in town by setting up drinking fountains in stores and businesses around town. Ms. Kleinman said the environmental group has proposed a bylaw for the May 2018 Town Meeting warrant which will ban the sale of single use, non-sparkling, non-flavored water bottles. Ms. Kleinman asked the Board of Health if they had any comments regarding the proposed project and if they would like to endorse the GB on Tap Campaign. Dr. Chang asked who is in charge of monitoring the tap water of businesses GB on Tap intends to promote. Dr. Chang said she would like to know that the tap water is free of radon and lead.

**D. HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

a. Health Agent Report

Locke Larkin reviewed the inspection report for February 2018.

**E. BOARD OF HEALTH SPEAK TIME**

Ms. Jurczyk made an announcement about the upcoming Rabies Clinic. The clinic will be held on March 31, 2018 from 12:30-2:30PM at the Fire Station. The clinic is open to the public and the Town Clerk will be at the clinic for residents to renew the annual dog license.

**F. CITIZEN SPEAK TIME**

None

**G. MEDIA TIME**

None

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Peter Stanton, seconded by Ruby Chang, with a unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM

Respectfully submitted,



Rebecca Jurczyk