

Brookfield Board of Health
Minutes
3/8/11

In attendance: Mike Seery, Dan Leahy and Lucinda Thompson, Recording Secretary

Also attending: Peter O'Connell

Meeting called to order at 5:48 PM

Discussion with Peter O'Connell regarding the proposed installation of solar panels at the landfill- peter stressed that he was formally touching base on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. He stated that Bill Scanlan representing Brookfield had conferred with DEP. DEP has stated that the cap is thick enough to support solar panels. The selectmen are nearly ready to issue the Request for Proposals. The contractor selected will be responsible for obtaining the post closure permit from DEP. DEP will only approve the project after a specific contractor has been selected and has made a specific proposal. According to Tim Roughan of Western Mass Nationalgrid power generated will off set the town's usage. Nationalgrid will buy remaining power at a lower rate. Peter suggested that the selectmen would like to form a working group for the project. The group would be made up of Bruce Clarke, Tim Roughan, Bill Scanlan and a representative from the selectmen and the Board of Health. Bid selection is expected to be in June. Mike Seery made a motion to formally accept the selectmen's proposal; Dan Leahy seconded the motion. Mike nominated Dan to serve as the Board of Health representative to the committee.

Minutes of 1/25/11 were accepted on a motion by Mike Seery with a second from Dan Leahy; so voted.

Ratification of Warrants- Expense warrants and. Payroll warrant 2/1/11,2/8/11, 2/15/11,2/22/11,3/1/11,3/8/11were all ratified on a motion from Mike Seery with a second from Dan Leahy; so voted.

Discussion of Transfer Station:

Dan mentioned that while he was at the Transfer Station he had been made aware of a situation with an out of town resident making some residents feel uncomfortable. Mike concurred that he had received several complaints from residents in the past. The board agreed to draft a letter asking the out of town resident to stop coming to the Transfer Station. Mike and Dan agreed to meet with the gentleman and discuss the issue with him.

Discussion of Budget:

Mike has prepared a preliminary budget which he and Dan will present to the Advisory Board.

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for April 12, 2011 at 5:30 PM at the Highway Garage.

Mike Seery made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM, Dan Leahy, seconded; so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucinda Thompson
Recording secretary