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**MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF
BURLINGTON BOARD OF HEALTH
DPW – 645 Pine Street
Tuesday, April 12, 2011 5:30 PM**

*Attendance: , Ian, Fern, Alan, Bill, Linda, Mary, Jay Absent: Denis
Public: Sid Decell, Andy Bromage*

The meeting was called to order by Ian Galbraith, at 5:35 PM

| ITEM | DISCUSSION | ACTION |
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| 1. Approval of Agenda | | Approved |
| 2. Approval of Minutes | March 8, 2011 | Approved |
| 3. Public Forum | Nobody in attendance | |
| 4. Review of Pesticide/Herbicide Application | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global Industries, Inc. Request for Pesticide/Herbicide Application – Sid Decell, Site Manager | |

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| | <p>Board's Comments and Questions</p> <p>A. Sousie: Permanent fix must be found.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What Plant Species are you treating and quantity used.? ○ What surfactant is going to be used with the Accord? <p>J. Vos: There is a beach on the boundary of the property.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Past documentation in BOH queries that alternatives will cost lots of money but there is no supporting information. <p>M. Hart: Concern that 7 acres will be treated.</p> <p>Sid Decell response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2/3 of additional stoning in the dike, bringing in more this year thus substantially less weeds to be treated. ○ Attempts to schedule application when rainfall is minimal. ○ ACCORD could be used to kill aquatic plants. ○ 50 gallons per acre is being applied to total 350 gallons on 7 acres at a cost of \$1,600. ○ 2 applications last year. ○ Water is tested for benzene, oil, gease. (The separator is cleaned annually.) Only when employees are on site are samples collected. There are three (3) employees The site is not manned 24 hrs. /day. <p>Board: Research shows there is a significant danger using ACCORD within ½ mile of source of intake for potable water. Is the water plant within a half a mile of the site?</p> | <p>Sid Decell, Global Industries, to provide documentation to answer Board's questions along with a map for ½ mile perimeter.</p> <p>BOH will continue examination of new information to make decision via e-mail if necessary.</p> <p>A. Sousie and Dir. W. Ward will inspect site and the acreage to be treated.</p> <p>Dir. W. Ward to check with Water Dept. re: intake.</p> <p>Motion for Board to postpone decision on Global Application until a complete analysis is done. Approved</p> |
| 5. School Environment Quality Inspections | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Champlain School Inspection Results – Biggest problem is roof. One messy closet and lamps were cited. | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taft school still has issues that haven't been addressed. <i>Examples:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ceiling tiles in gym needs to be fixed after Hawthorne finishes replacing roof). ○ Safety issue with "step" will be addressed later. ○ Oil based paint – still there. <p>All other discrepancies were corrected.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisions to Inspection Procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Streamlined rating on inspection sheets was effective. | <p>A. Sousie will notify principal of Integrated Arts Academy, Brian Williams, the week before school inspection..</p> <p>Next School Inspection: HO Wheeler – Integrated Arts Tuesday, April 26, 2011 @ 1:00 PM</p> |
| <p>6. Consideration of Potential BOH Year End Expenditures</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update and Reprint of Fluoride and Infants Brochure – Save until May meeting • P.O.P.E. expenditures of \$3500 will be applied to Lawn Labs Project | <p>BOH Approved grant of \$2,000 to the Community Health Center Dental Health Program</p> <p>BOH Approved up to \$500.00 for Front Porch Forum expenditure.</p> <p>Linda to check 2008 invoices for cost of Reprint of Fluoride brochures.</p> |
| <p>7. Members' Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pesticide Ordinance Public Education – (P.O.P.E.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lawn Labs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Purchasing fertilizer in bulk - \$600.00 (for more than 2 lawn labs with a total of four lawn labs) ○ J. Vos, F. Crete met w/ Prof. Bosworth to ramp up Lawn Labs Project. ○ The question of Lawn Lab property owner's commitment has not yet been addressed . ○ UVM Prof. Sid Bosworth sees himself as a resource person to help in an advisory role. No UVM student is available. ○ POPE working group interested persons: Karen Bates, Ross Saxon, Laura () ????LAST NAME ??? ○ F.Crete (beyond his role on BOH) will | <p>Prof. S. Bosworth to address issue with property unable to keep commitment to project.</p> <p>F. Crete and J. Vos to do site visits at two additional Lawn Labs which will be picked out of 75 original applicants (Home Ave., Alder Lane or Van Patten Pkwy areas)</p> <p>Linda to check for EPA updated publication on Pesticide/Herbicide Use</p> |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fluoride Issue • BOH Authority Follow-up • BOH Historical Files Inspection Report • BOH Participation in Burlington Partnership for a Healthy Community • Appoint a BOH member to the Urban Agriculture Task Force | <p>volunteer to help with Lawn Labs and conduct soil tests on 4 properties.</p> <p>Fluoride Action Network is a resource for action. City of Burlington has reduced fluoride in water to .07 for last 3 months.</p> <p>City Attorney Bergman will be addressing .</p> <p>Results of continuation of archival review conducted by A. Sousie:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Keep off the Grass BOH Campaign in 1989 ○ Substance Abuse Issues - representative from BOH ○ 1990s BOH was involved in HIV issue – disseminating info, sponsoring guest speakers, etc. ○ 1994 –Budget Report shows that there was \$14,000 paid to a staff member. ○ A survey was done in 1994 among Turf Control – Applicator professional services. ○ 1997 – Projects defined for BOH ○ 1998 EPA – Citizen’s Guide to Pesticide/Herbicide Use ○ Offered Movie Series related to health issues ○ Provided health related books to FF Library. | <p>BOH to start a letter writing campaign to EPA to formalize lowering the fluoridation or even removing it from the water.</p> <p>A. Sousie will bring back legal determination to Board in May or June.</p> <p>A. Sousie attending Burlington Partnership for a Health Community seminar - April 13, 2011</p> <p>Chair, I. Galbraith will fill in as BOH member representative on the Urban Agriculture Task Force.</p> |
| 8. Staff Reports | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hazardous Materials Storage – report from | |

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| | <p>Vt. Dept. of Public Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Internet Link –Drugwatch.com ○ Expenditures - North Avenue News /Front Porch Forum ○ Community Service Student Internship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mary has given letters to Ass. Principal and Jim Donahue – for interested BHS students | <p>Post on Website: Alternatives: Approved Herbicide/Pesticides Approved Drug Watch. Com link Set up Links to our Website page on Front Porch Forum</p> |
| 9. Action Items/Next Board Meeting | Contois, 5:30 PM May 10, 2011 | <p>Chair, I. Galbraith – BOH Semi-Annual Report Urban Task Force Report J. Vos/F. Crete – Lintelac report M. Hart - Intern candidates applications A. Sousie - Legal interpretation of BOH authority</p> |
| 10. Adjournment | 7:00 PM | |

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