

REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAIRHAVEN BOARD OF HEALTH  
April 24, 2012

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at 6:30 PM. The meeting was duly posted. Board members present: Barbara Acksen, Jeannine Lopes and Peter DeTerra. Also present: Patricia Fowle, Health Agent. Also in attendance: Sumul Shah, Fairhaven Wind, LLC.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and asked that the minutes of the meeting of April 9, 2012, be amended or approved. Ms. Lopes motion to approve. Ms. Acksen seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Sumul Shah of Fairhaven Wind, LLC presented information on the operation status for the two wind turbines on Arsene Street. He spoke of the proposed operational schedule. and plans and procedures for fire and safety that the company is reviewing collaboratively with the Fire and Police Departments. The schedule is for a few hours of testing, then a witness test with the utility company and then a ten day continuous test. This should be completed by the end of May. The safety plan is being reviewed by the Fire Department and company employees with finalized plans ready soon. Grading and site work is ongoing.

Fairhaven Wind, LLC would like to be the main recipient of all complaints at 774-202-9646 and on its website. The complaints will be considered proprietary as it relates to the working of the turbines and methods to correct defects if any and also to maintain the complainant's privacy. The company will share its complaint analysis with the Board of Health on a quarterly basis, or as negotiated.

Representatives of Fairhaven Windwise voiced their opposition to Fairhaven Wind's complaint proposal. The group offered its own two-page complaint form to the Board for review. Ms. Barteau of Windwise asked Mr. Shah if he would be willing to post a bond to ensure property values in the surrounding area. Mr. Shah stated he would be willing to renegotiate the matter if the Selectmen so deemed it. Ms. Barteau said Windwise has done a pre-health risk assessment for the area and will share the data with the Board: number of homes, number of adults, children, sensitive receptors. Other Windwise members spoke of their personal concerns for health and safety.

Ms. Acksen stated Fairhaven Wind's interests are different from those of the Board of Health who represent the citizens. All Board members agreed that complaints should come first to the Board of Health. The Board will work to create its own complaint form. Discussion ensued. A working Board meeting on Monday, April 30, 2012, at Noon will be held to create the complaint form.

Health Agent's Report:

Asked the Board to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen asking to restore \$900 to the proposed fiscal 2013 Health budget for mosquito control and department vehicle maintenance.

Ms. Lopes motioned to approve. Ms. Acksen seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Invoices were reviewed and signed by the Board.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 14, 2012, at 6:30 PM.

There being no other business before the Board, Ms. Lopes motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Ms. Acksen seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Patricia Fowle, Health Agent