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## Board of Health Meeting Minutes April 30, 2015

The April 30, 2015 meeting of the Belmont Board of Health was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Chair.

Those present were Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Chair; David B. Alper, D.P.M., Vice Chair; Deirdre Houtmeyers, R.N., M.S., Member; Angela Braun, R.S., Director; Maria Reddington, Clerk.

Mr. Brian Saunders of Saunders Enterprises spoke to Board Members regarding a variance request for a pump chamber system at 31 Fieldmont Road. The Board voted unanimously (3-0) to grant a variance for a pump chamber system as presented by Mr. Saunders.

A Board reorganizational vote was taken with results as follows: Dr. David B. Alper, D.P.M., Chair Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Vice Chair Deirdre Houtmeyers, R.N., M.S., Member

The Board unanimously (3-0) approved Wesley Chin, Assistant Director, for Nomination of Inspector of Animals.

The Board unanimously (3-0) approved the March 31, 2015 Meeting Minutes.

The Board unanimously (3-0) approved the Grease Trap Variance request for Vintage Tea and Cake Company.

The Board unanimously (3-0) approved the Grease Trap Variance request for Rizzo Roast Beef and Pizza.

Mr. Thomas Scarlata, Principal of BH&A, addressed the Board in connection with the Underwood Pool Variance request outlined in his letter dated April 3, 2015, and revised April 27, 2015. Ms. Angela Braun, Director, confirmed to the Board the request is supported in accordance with State of Massachusetts DPH, Bureau of Environmental Health Community Sanitation Program requirements. Ms. Braun also mentioned an operational and maintenance plan should be submitted, and bacterial tests performed monthly. The Board unanimously (3-0) approved the Underwood Pool Variance request as outlined in the above-referenced letters.

The Directors report was discussed including Wesley Chin, Assistant Director and his first month on the job, Loading Dock to open mid-May, damage sustained to Jimmy's Food Mart as a result of the fire, PGA Tournament in June, housing orders, and religious facility food permitting practices. Also discussed Belmont's need for full time hoarding staff, update on citation notices mailed for failure to license a dog, engaging Phelps Consulting services for smaller food establishment inspections, and expanded flu clinic.

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The Disease, Animal Control, Veterans' Services, Youth and Family Services reports were discussed.

The Stress Less Campaign, made possible by a grant from CHNA 17 Adult Mental Health and Wellbeing, was discussed.

Board members continue to suggest the benefit of Health Department staff presence in the schools to assist in addressing the problem of increased opiate use. Board members encouraged staff to follow up with the Head School Nurse with this idea.

There was discussion regarding Health Department Grant funds, previously used to fund summer camp attendance, and a request for reconciliation of same to Board members.

Board members asked for additional information pertaining to failure of a canine assessment for off-leash permitting program purposes, as well as if a list of current permitted dogs was available for public view. John Maguranis, Animal Control Officer, will answer these questions.

The Veterans' Services Officer report was discussed, specifically Memorial Day Parade details, and if traffic concerns were anticipated and/or addressed.

Ms. Angela Braun told Board members of a meeting attended by Ms. Janet Amdur, Youth and Family Services Coordinator, and Mr. Bob Upton, Veterans' Services Officer pertaining to Homelessness. Janet and Bob reported to Angela the meeting was informative and beneficial.

The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Golden Shoes Campaign is well underway. Special thanks to Dr. Alper and family for hiding the "golden shoes" throughout Belmont.

The Girl's Group headed by Janet Amdur is in session through May. Dr. Alper asked if Janet had any Boy's Group ideas.

The next Board of Health Meeting is scheduled for May 28, 2015 and June 30, 2015.

The Board of Health Meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David B. Alper, D.P.M., Chair