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## Board of Health Meeting Minutes February 25, 2019

The Board of Health Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Chair.

Those present were Donna S. David, R.N., M.N., Chair; Julie C. Lemay, M.P.H., Vice Chair; Stephen M. Fiore, Esq., Member; Wesley B. Chin, Health Director; Diana Ekman, Assistant Director; Maria Reddington, Clerk.

A summary of the Sheep Grazing Program at Rock Meadow - Spring 2019 (the "Program") discussion is below:

- Board members were provided a written summary of the Program, by Ms. Joan Teebagy.
- Ms. Teebagy, Program Manager, told Board members this will be the 4th year of this successful pilot program.
- The Conservation Commission has approved the Program for 2019.
- Rotational grazing is utilized within the same general area at Rock Meadow. The rotation is dependent upon the meadow management plan of the Conservation Commission,.
- Volunteers work on a rotating schedule, with Ms. Teebagy present during most rotations.
- Fencing details were described. Sheep are locked up at night in a hut, surrounded by predatorproof fencing.
- Wes told the Board that the office does not receive complaints concerning the Program.
- The Board voted 3 0 to approve a Keeping of Animals Permit for the Sheep Grazing Program at Rock Meadow Spring 2019.

Mr. Rusty Gill, owner of Spice Delight at 63 Concord Avenue was welcomed by the Board members. Mr. Gill provided a brief background of his experience in the food industry. Mr. Gill and his staff renovated the 44-seat establishment. He will apply for a license to serve alcohol in the near future. Mr. Gill reports parking has not been an issue. Board members encouraged Mr. Gill to contact Health Department staff if he has questions, and wished him much success with Spice Delight.

John Maguranis, Animal Control Officer submitted his letter of resignation, effective February 21, 2019. All in attendance shared their appreciation for his dedicated years of service since November 2001. John was wished many happy years of retirement. Thank you, John!

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Review and comment of the Board of Health Regulation – Restricting the Sale of Drug Paraphernalia:

- The stand-alone Draft was modeled from the City of Somerville's Regulation.
- Mr. Fiore suggested adding language to Section 5 of the Regulation to include suspension of an establishment's Permit from selling adult use marijuana products. The suspension would be in addition to the monetary fines outlined in the Regulation.
- Board members asked Wesley Chin to confirm with D.J. Wilson if other Permit(s) can be suspended.
- Also, confirm if the Town of Arlington's Regulation outlines stricter monetary/suspension punishments.
- An updated Regulation will be available for the Board's review at the March meeting.

The January 28, 2019 Meeting Minutes were approved by a vote of 3-0.

The Receipts and Financial reports were reviewed.

The Director's report was reviewed with the following topics discussed:

- El Centro –food code violations continue to be noted during follow-up inspections. Ms. Victoria
  Hart, El Centro's food consultant, also reported a pipe leak has not been repaired since her last
  report. Donna David said these are unacceptable conditions, and the owner may need to return for
  another public hearing.
- Lisa's Pizzeria the establishment opened prior to the completion of a pre-operation inspection.

  The owner will meet the Board at the March meeting
- Stone Hearth Pizza there was a small electrical fire in a manhole in front of the establishment.
   By the time Health Department staff arrived for inspection, the establishment was cleaned and no odor of smoke was detected.
- Cannabinoid (CBD) infused foods a Plan Review application was received on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

  Upon review of the ingredients label, it was noted that hemp extract was listed as an ingredient in the products. There were a number of reasons the Plan Review application was rejected after reaching out to other health departments, state agencies, and Belmont departments.
- The housing cases were reviewed.
  - O Case #1 is scheduled for re-inspection on February 26th.
  - O Case #2 the occupant has cancelled multiple scheduled re-inspections.
  - O Case #3 will be re-inspected in two weeks.
  - Case #4 was re-inspected one week ago, not much progress noted, and the closing for the sale of the property has been postponed.
- Youth Commission Marisa Melanson, Youth Commission Coordinator is doing a great job. The ice cream social held on February 14<sup>th</sup> was an overwhelming success. Marisa's next task will be to coordinate a free movie at Belmont Studio Theater for the next early release day.

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The Assistant Director's report was reviewed with the following topics discussed:

- Case #1 Lead determination was requested, lead hazard is present. Re-inspections will be scheduled.
- Case #2 Fire Dept. referral for potential unsanitary and hoarding conditions. Inspection completed today, Health Dept. staff will re-inspect in about 3 weeks.
- 2013 Food Code Training Staff was originally going to schedule training for March 18<sup>th</sup>, but this is on hold for a later date to be determined.
- Tropical Diner's pre-operation inspection was conducted. The owner will meet the Board at the March meeting.
- Renovations Project update Staff met with Community Development staff concerning asbestos
  and lead requirements in major renovation projects. A draft application is included for the
  Board's review.
- McLean Hospital's annual inspection for a Recombinant DNA Molecule and Non-Recombinant Infectious Agent Permit was completed on January 31<sup>st</sup>. The inspection was led by Rebecca Caruso.

The Food Inspection report was reviewed. This will be Jim Feeney's last year as Belmont's contract food inspector.

The Public Health Nurse and Disease reports were reviewed.

The Youth and Family Services report was reviewed, noting that Janet continues great outreach efforts.

The Veterans' Services report was reviewed, noting that Bob is assisting the Town of Watertown with Veterans' needs.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2019 at 5:30 pm.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna S. David, Chair