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Board of Health Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2018

The Board of Health Meeting was called to order at 5:30 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; Daniella Wodnicki, Assistant Health Director; Maria Reddington, Clerk.

Stephen M. Fiore, Esq., newly elected Board of Health Member, was welcomed by all present at the Meeting. Ms. David told Mr. Fiore of the annual MA Health Boards Conference and encouraged his attendance at one of the conference offerings for newly elected Board of Health members. The Conference is held in November. Maria Reddington will enroll Mr. Fiore as a new member of the MA Health Board.

A Board reorganization vote was taken with the following result:
Donna S. David, R.N. M.S., Chair (Vote 3-0)
Julie C. Lemay, M.P.H., Vice Chair (Vote 3-0)
Stephen M. Fiore, Esq., Member (Vote 3-0)

The March 26, 2018 Meeting Minutes were approved by a vote of 3-0, with the following revisions to Page 2:

- John Maguranis noted that Bella was not licensed at the time of the October 2017 incident, and instructed Dr. Mayhew to obtain a pet license. Bella remains unlicensed in Belmont.
- Dr. Mayhew was told to repair the gate on the fence following the October 2017 incident. As of the date of this Hearing, the gate remained unrepaired.

The Receipts report was reviewed.

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

- An Indian and Nepalese restaurant will occupy 63 Concord Avenue.
- All Belmont school cafeteria have been inspected twice this school year, noting generally good inspections.
- Staff was notified of two additional hoarding cases this week. One case has been resolved, the other case denied entry.
- Housing cases summarized in the Director's report were discussed, and updates provided where applicable.
- Health Department, DPW and the Town Administrator held a meeting to discuss a litter education program at the schools to help with the rodent and trash problem in Belmont public parks. DPW's attempt to coordinate volunteers at the parks for the "Clean and Green Sweep" day on April 28th was unsuccessful. Health Department staff will develop a "littering" contest for Belmont school students.
- Joeys Park remains closed. It has not been determined if the carry in/carry out trash pilot program is realizing positive results.
- Wesley Chin spoke to the Board about Lisa Gibalerio, Wayside Multi-Service Center Prevention Specialist, and her request to meet with the Board of Health again. Board members suggested Ms. Gibalerio attend the September meeting, after the grant Wayside applied for is received.

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- It is unknown if the tobacco prevention grant will be funded for the next fiscal year. Can funds from the Wayside grant be used to conduct tobacco compliance checks in Belmont?
- The rabies clinic held with Watertown Animal Control on April 14th was a success. Daniella Wodnicki feels this is an important service for Belmont to offer each year.

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

- Report of outdoor hoarding at a Cross Street address – staff was unable to confirm due to height of fence.
- Merrill Street clutter – owner telephoned after receiving Order letter. Daniella is waiting for written confirmation of the demolition project date.
- Goden Street - Ms. Donna David wants Health Department staff to confirm the occupant is emptying water into the storm drain.
- Stewart Terrace – The property was cleaned, case is resolved.
- Board members thanked Daniella for including the Clutter Image Rating document in her report. The pictures provide a better understanding of housing issues encountered by staff.
- The food inspection done by James Feeney at A Chocolate Dream was discussed. Violations include an inadequate sink, a discharge hose in the sin, no sanitizer being used, and an unreported flood. Daniella and the owner will meet to discuss remedies for the violations.
- Daniella attended the DEP Winter Seminar, sponsored by the Mass. Health Officer's Association and Mass. Department of Environmental Protection.
- Difficult housing cases were discussed at the Healthy Housing Meeting attended by Daniella.
- Marisa Melanson will be the Department of Public Health intern over the summer. Ms. Melanson's interests included substance abuse prevention and health communication.
- Daniella talked about a retail tobacco shop inquiry she received, and encouraged Board members to revisit the current tobacco regulations. Board members asked staff to prepare updated tobacco regulations for review and discussion at the next Board meeting.
- Daniella's suggestion to trial the monthly printed board books to e-board books was well received by all Board members. E-board books will begin for the next meeting.

The Food Inspection report was reviewed.

The Disease and Public Nurse reports were reviewed.

The Youth and Family Services report was reviewed, noting kick off of the Golden Shoes Walking Campaign.

The Animal Control Officer report was reviewed. Dr. Amy Mayhew, owner of canine Bella, is appealing the Board of Health decision dated March 28, 2018, deeming Bella a dangerous dog. The Court date is scheduled for April 27, 2018.

The Veterans' Services officer report was reviewed. The Memorial Day Parade is a well-organized event due to Bob Upton's efforts and many volunteers.

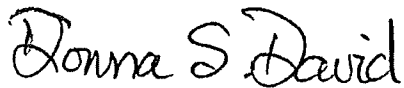
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An idea was shared to have John Maguranis, ACO, provide some public information about wild turkeys throughout Belmont by hosting a Belmont Media cable series called Turkey Talk!

The next Board of Health Meetings are scheduled for May 30, 2018 at 5:30 pm, and June 20, 2018 at 5:30 pm.

The Meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Donna S. David".

Donna S. David, Chair