The January 25, 2012 meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:22 pm by David B. Alper, D.P.M., Chair.

Those present were David B. Alper, D.P.M., Chair, Robert M. Eisendrath, M.D., Vice Chair, Donna S. David, R.N., M. N., Member, Stefan A. Russakow, M.A., R.S., Director, Angela Braun, R.S., Assistant Director, Ellen O'Doherty, Clerk.

The Hearing for Marta Gonzalez will be re-scheduled until the March 2012 meeting due to the unavailability of the Animal Control Officer.

The Hearing for Teresa Liang, owner of Gen Sushi, was called to order at 5:23 pm. Ms. Liang explained that she had full comprehension of her HACCP plan and that her husband was also trained. The Board welcomed her to Belmont and stated they were looking forward to having her restaurant open and if there were any questions to call the staff at the Health Department as they are available to help in order to make the restaurant successful. The Director gave an overview of procedures in Belmont and instructed the Board that a motion would have to be made in order for Gen Sushi to use rice acidification. Motion was made to allow rice acidification, all in favor, unanimous. The Hearing was adjourned at 5:40 pm.

The Assistant Director's Report (on file in the Health Department) and Food Inspection Report was discussed and the Board was updated on proposed new restaurant openings and upgrades to current establishments.

The Disease and Receipts Reports were reviewed

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The Budget was discussed, the Department is on target and the only unknown variable at this time is the Veterans Recipients account as it cannot be predicted how many Veterans could apply for benefits in this fiscal year. The Veterans Recipient account for Fiscal 13 has been increased significantly.

The Director's Report (on file in the Health Department) was discussed with updates to Emergency Preparedness and deliverables required for Region 4B.

The Animal Control Officer's Report and Veterans Report were discussed.

The Youth and Family Services Report was reviewed and a noticeable uptick in caseloads. The Board like the format and thought it was a good report.

Complaints were reviewed including the pot-bellied pig that now lives in town. A permit will be issued and an inspection done. The Animal Control Officer is writing new regulations pertaining to livestock and other domestic animals as the ones currently on file are outdated.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the draft of "Body Works Regulations" (already vetted by Town Counsel), a Public Hearing will be scheduled as well as notifications in the newspaper.

The next meeting of the Belmont Board of Health is scheduled for February 27, 2012 at 5:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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