

MEETING OF THE FAIRHAVEN BOARD OF HEALTH
September 26, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Health was held at the Town Hall on Monday, September 26, 2011 at 6:30 PM. The meeting was duly posted. Board members present: Peter DeTerra, Dolores Caton and Jeannine Lopes. Also present: Patricia Fowle, Health Agent.

Mr. DeTerra, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and asked that the minutes of the meeting of September 12, 2011 be amended or approved.

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Caton; seconded by Ms. Lopes. Vote was unanimous.

The Board reviewed a written request and site plan to allow a 20'7" x 21'8" garage extension at 172 Balsam Street. The proposed extension would allow for one, open, extended garage. The first floor elevation is above flood elevation, the house is on concrete piers and the garage walls are blow-out type. The garage will not be heated and will have limited lighting. The use will be for storage.

Motion to approve the request was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Ms. Caton. Vote was unanimous.

Health Agent's report:

The flu clinics will be at the Recreation Center, 227 Huttleston Avenue on October 11, 2011 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM and October 18, 2011 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. There is a limited supply of vaccine and it will be used for Fairhaven residents only. Schools have been notified of the clinics. Health insurances will not be billed and there will be a \$5.00 donation suggested. Advertising is through posters and one-half page ad in the Neighborhood News for the next three Thursdays. Community Nurse Association and the School Nurses will give the shots. Dr. Joseph J. Doerr, MD is the clinic physician. Volunteers who worked last year will be contacted to ask if they will assist this year.

A marked-up copy of the "Fairhaven Tobacco Control Regulations Affecting Youth Access to Tobacco Products" was presented for the Board's review. Proposed amendments would prohibit the sale of tobacco products in health care institutions (pharmacies) and define and restrict the sale and use of "e-cigarettes". The Board will review the mark-up for discussion at the next Board meeting. Dartmouth and New Bedford Health Departments are including the amendments in their Youth Access Regulations which most likely will become effective January 1, 2012.

Food establishment inspections were reviewed. Complaints received were reviewed.

Invoices and payroll were reviewed and signed by the Board.

There being no other business before the Board, motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM was made by Ms. Lopes; seconded by Ms. Caton. Vote was unanimous.

The next meetings are Tuesday, October 11 and Monday, October 24, 2011 at 6:30 PM.

Patricia Fowle, Health Agent