

Board of Health Minutes for May 4, 2012

Present at meeting:

Bruce J. Hunchard, Chairman
Donald Ranieri, Jr., Vice-Chair, Absent
Philip J. Brunelli, Secretary

David McKearney, RS, Health Director
Virginia McNeil, Health Agent

Visitors present:

None

The Board Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

A motion was made by the Board Chairman to accept the April 6th, 2012 meeting minutes. The Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as written.

OLD BUSINESS

The Chairman opened the floor for old business. The Health Director updated the Board on the Garelick Farms odor complaint. An order letter was sent to Garelick Farms to address the ongoing issues. This situation has been on going for the past few years and the Health Director wants Garelick Farms to take the proper measures to rectify the problem.

The Health Director sent an order letter to Nonnie Rose's last month. Mrs. Guiliani, the owner of Nonnie Rose's, came to the Health Department with a letter stating they were closing their doors to their establishment as of April 7, 2012. The Health Director also asked for the Board's support to not allow another food establishment in that space because it not suitable for that type of business.

NEW BUSINESS

The Chairman opened the floor to new business. The first item on the agenda was a review of the site plan and special permit for 420-438 West Central Street Shoppes. The Board of Health voted to approve the site plan as submitted subject to municipal water and sewer connection, a proper dumpster location and full compliance with Chapter X of the State Food Code.

The next item discussed by the Board was the Massachusetts Bay Commuter Railroad 2012 Vegetation Control Program. Since the Town of Franklin has not yet hired the licensed pest control person, the Board did not want to sign the agreement until the licensed person is named.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion of the home sharps disposal program. Effective July 1, 2012, home sharps may not be disposed of in the town trash. The

Health Director would like the town to purchase a needle disposal kiosk and locate it in a public building for the use of Franklin residents. The Board Chairman made a motion to have the Health Director investigate the process of locating a needle kiosk in a public building. The motion was seconded by the Board Secretary and was voted unanimously by the Board.

The final item reviewed by the Board was the Woodlands local upgrade approval of lots 3, 4, and 16 for a reduction in septic tank setback from lot lines. Originally the Woodlands was a condo association with no requirements for setbacks. Now it is a homeowner's association which requires the setback of a tank to be 10 ft. from the lot line. The Board voted unanimously to approve the following: lot 3 setback of 3 ft. where 10 ft. is required, lot 4 setback of 0.8 ft. where 10 ft. is required, lot 16 setback of 0.2 ft. where 10 ft. is required.

The last item on the agenda was the Health Director's Monthly Report for April 2012. The Health Director discussed the monthly activities of the Health Department.

Motion to adjourn was unanimous. The next Board of Health meeting will be on Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 9:30 am in room 106.

Transcribed by Virginia McNeil, Health Agent for the Franklin Health Department.