

BOARD OF HEALTH
TOWN HALL
334 MAIN STREET
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2011
7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: RONALD MAJDALANY, CHAIRMAN
CLAUDIA RYAN
FREDERICK CONFORTI

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

MOTION: Ms. Ryan to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2011 meeting.

SECOND: Dr. Majdalany (stepped down as Chairman)

VOTE: 2-0

2. **BOARD OF HEALTH FEE SCHEDULE:**

Mark advised that the Town is reviewing fee schedules. He noted that last time the fees were reviewed was 2008. There will be a meeting in September with the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager where all Town fees will be reviewed. Mark advised he contacted other towns through the Berkshire County Board of Health and our Town is at or above other Towns for fees for most items.

After review, the following changes were made:

Increase Food Service Small from \$50.00 to \$75.00.

Increase Food Service Medium from \$85.00 to \$100.00.

Increase the Seasonal Permit from \$25.00 to \$35.00.

3. **HEALTH AGENT REPORT:**

Mark advised that the camps and pools have all been inspected. The restaurants and food service establishments are now being inspected for the second time. Locke is following up on the problem restaurants.

4. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. **Berkshire Public Health Alliance – Update**

Mark noted that the agreement is still in draft form. Kopelman and Paige, Town Council, is not making a recommendation on it because they represent so many of the Towns. The draft agreement will be presented to the Board of Selectmen on the 22nd to obtain their support.

B. **Tobacco Awareness Grant - Update**

Mark advised the renewed participation grant has been awarded. The program will continue. The funds are used for the training program and compliance checks. Mr. O'Donnell signed the grant agreement for the Town. Tri-Town also applied for a Mass in Motion Grant which provides restaurants with wellness information as well as

information on portion control as discussed at previous meetings. Mark will follow-up with the Board at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Choke saving Classes

Mark advised that any restaurant or establishment with 25 seats or more has to have someone certified in choke saving. He noted he contacted the Red Cross about doing a class in the area. One was recently held in Westfield. Mark said he would contact Fairview about doing a class.

B. ZBA Appeal – GJO, LLC. Gary O’Brien Property Services, Roger Road

Mark said he spoke to Bernard Drew, Clerk for the ZBA, and was advised that it is a zoning issue and just for the Boards’ information.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Wichmann
Secretary