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BOARD OF HEALTH

Date: November 28, 2012

PRESENT: Armand White, Jim Morin, Judy O'Connor
Inspectors: Julie Vanarsdalen and Karyn Johnson

ABSENT: Derek Brindisi

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by chairman Armand White.

Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes for the October 24, 2012 meeting was made by Jim Morin. Seconded by Armand White. Vote unanimous.

A motion to accept the minutes for the November 14, 2012 meeting was made by Judy O'Connor. Seconded by Armand White. Vote unanimous.

Office Update: Julie M. informed the board Cheryl Rawinski, R.N., removed all sharps from the office closet for disposal.

No signature required from Bob Spain on vouchers. It will remain with majority of board signatures only.

Vouchers: Voucher was signed by those present.

Health Agent Report:

Karyn presented a sample showing the sharps clipper designed for diabetics to store their used needles. Judy O'Connor requested the price to possibly have them available for public sale.

Karyn read Derek's directive report:

The first item being the medical marijuana use. She gave an overview stating MASS DPH has 120 days to write the law. Also, there are many unknowns at this time. Nothing is clear. Concerns relate the public can grow their own marijuana, it jeopardizes the current tobacco laws, what type of permitting will be needed, where the dispensaries will be placed, etc. She knows

there will be 35 of them, 5 in Worcester county. Some towns are setting zoning laws preventing dispensaries in their town. This decriminalizes marijuana. Karyn will forward any information she receives to the board members. The board members had questions, however, there are no answers at this time.

Karyn stated Derek's Community Health Assessment Plan is finalized and there will be an unveiling at City Hall on December 18, 2012 at 8:00 A.M. The board will receive a formal invitation.

Karyn addressed the Wellness Campaign – Nicole has been providing Julie M. with updates with food safety and prep. December will be about depression due to the holidays.

Derek applied for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant and the collaborative was awarded one of 18 newly formed health district grants. He will travel to three national conferences and learn best practices from other health districts. Objective is to learn the pros and cons to make our district better.

New personnel – Karyn stated Steve Ward from the Watertown Department of Public Health will be coming on board, has great experience and will be the Public Health Policy Administrator.

Karyn addressed the quarterly report that has been issued, stating it overviews what the coalition is actively working on.

Invoices will be forthcoming from the city collectors office.

Old Business:

Karen presented the current draft for tobacco regulations and asked the board if they had talked about banning cigar bars or hookah bars. Julie V. stated she spoke with Mr. Silver this day who plans on opening a cigar bar in town. Karyn had also spoken with Mr. Silver and gave the board an overview of what licensing and permits he will need to proceed. With the draft regulations done, does the board want to move forward with or without the cigar bars or hookah bars. Judy asked if he planned on selling alcohol or food. With an alcohol license available will he apply for that. Julie V. stated no, at some point he may want to have bring your own booze, however, he will want to sell prepackaged foods and coffee. Karyn explained his entrance would be at the end of the building and no smoke exiting when the door is opened. She would like the board of health, building dept. and fire dept. do a joint inspection due to codes related to HVAC systems. Judy asked when Mr. Silver planned to move forward with his plan, however, no time frame was addressed. Armand stated he would need the tobacco and food permits from the board and liked the idea of asking Mr. Silver to come before the board and address his business venture. Karyn will prepare a list of questions for the board and Mr. Silver will be asked to attend the January 09, 2013 meeting.

Karyn asked the board for clarification on capping the number of tobacco permits. All board members agreed there is no need to cap at this time as there are eleven permits issued. Karen will proceed with a final draft on the tobacco regulations.

Armand recommended the public hearing be held after the first of the year. With proper public notice the public hearing date is set for January 23, 2013 at 7:00 P.M.

Other Business:

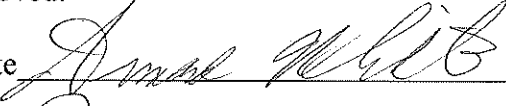
12 Draper Road – Julie V. has been unsuccessful delivering violation papers either by mail or constable. Trash is worse than ever, wants to find the executor of the estate to proceed with court action. The board agreed she has their support to obtain the information needed to resolve the problem.

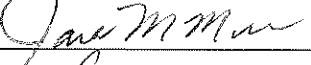
Judy O'Connor stated she went on a wellness check with Julie V. Upon arrival Judy was aware the Council on Aging provides services for this household. She stated Julie V. handled the situation very professional. Armand thanked both for their quick and successful response.

All board members agreed to cancel the December 26, 2012 meeting. The next meeting will be held December 12, 2012.

A motion to adjourn at 7:55 P.M. was made by Jim Morin. Seconded by Judy O'Connor. Vote unanimous.

Minutes approved:

Armand White 

James Morin 

Judith O'Connor 