



Town of Northborough

Board of Health

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Members Present: Glenn French
Dilip Jain
Deirdre O'Connor
Jamie Terry, Board of Health Agent

The Board of Health met on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, in conference room B of the Northborough Town offices. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Glenn French. The minutes for the April meeting were approved as read.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed 308 Main Street and the written request for a one year extension on approved septic plans dated June 27, 2006. Ms. Terry advised the Board that she recommends approving the one year extension, and informed the Board that they could require a written timeline for installation. Chairman Glenn French made a motion to approve the one year extension on approved septic plans Dilip Jain seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the H1N1 situation. Ms. Terry informed the Board that she has taken part in numerous conference calls with the Department of Public Health and reports that the Town has had several Department Head meetings to ensure that the Town of Northborough is prepared to implement an effective response in the event of a pandemic. Ms. Terry advised the Board that to date there have been no confirmed cases of H1N1. Information for the general public has been made available on the Town website <http://www.town.northborough.ma.us/>.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed recent food inspections, no outstanding issues were reported.

Ms. Terry informed the Board that Tom's Gourmet Marketplace located at 4 West Main Street is under new ownership and is now Tom's Eatin & Drinkin Place. On Tuesday, May 12, 2009, Ms. Terry was notified via e-mail by the Fire Department that there were some issues needing attention such as a build-up of trash, unusable hand washing sink, and reported food and raw meat on counters in the kitchen. Ms. Terry visited this establishment prior to tonight's meeting and advised the Board that she did find violations and will be re-inspecting this establishment within 24 hours.

Ms. Terry informed the Board that earlier today she received notification from the Police Department that there were two unlicensed individuals operating as tattoo artists at Professional Body Art located at 94 Main Street. Ms. Terry informed the Board that she

will be visiting this establishment after tonight's meeting and will issue a cease & desist order if necessary.

Ms. Terry informed the Board that Tobacco Compliance checks have been completed and there was one violation; a letter will be sent to this retail establishment.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed a recent e-mail that she received from Joe Mara RE: the Outdoor Wood Boiler (OWB) at 209 Pleasant Street. Mr. Mara was following up on the state sponsored training program on OWB regulations. Mr. Mara is looking for an update of the Town's formal efforts to assure that the negative health effects from the OWB on Pleasant Street are sufficiently mitigated by the recent stack adaptation. Ms. Terry advised the Board that she was unable to attend the recent training session that was held on March 18, 2009. Ms. Terry has talked to many colleagues that attended the training session and learned that it only lasted one hour and included reading the regulations and discussion in smoke school. Ms. Terry has heard that the information on smoke school was positive; it is a three day class that teaches officials to read smoke opacity. Ms. Terry advised the Board that there is a second class being offered in October which she does plan on attending. Ms. Terry informed the Board that on March 6, 2009 she inspected the OWB at 209 Pleasant Street and the additional stack height of 17 plus feet brought this unit into compliance with State Regulations.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed a housing inspection that will be done on Friday, May 15, 2009, at 257 Hudson Street. Ms. Terry was notified that the tenant is complaining of a mold issue. Town records indicate that the property is owned by Webjo Co. Inc., 375 Davis Street Northborough, MA 01532.

Chairman Glenn French advised Ms. Terry that there are no bathroom facilities available at the Middle School for after school activities and this is becoming an issue. Ms. Terry will look in to this matter.

The next Board of Health meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 10, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah L. Roach