

MINUTES
STURBRIDGE
BOARD OF HEALTH
June 1, 2015

Present: Linda Cocalis and Robert Audet; Board members. (Member Richard Volpe absent).
Health Agent Alyssa Rusiecki; Wendi Denning Health Inspector and Lynne Girouard, Clerk

Also in Attendance: Brian Treitman of BT's Smokehouse, Craig Moran of 45 Seneca Lane, Greg Hudzig and Robert D'Ambra of Village Hot Dogs.

Chairman Linda Cocalis opened the meeting at 5:35PM.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: In Abeyance

Mobile and Temporary Permits

Brian Treitman of BT's Smokehouse received the Board of Health memo concerning the new policy on the mobile permits issued by the Town of Sturbridge. He states that he never had to say where he was going before and he never knows until the day before for certain events. Brian does not feel that he should have to get Temporary Food permits because he has a mobile permit. Therefore, needing clarification is the determination of routes for temporary food events on mobile permits. Because the BoH was receiving little or no notice of any routes from any food vendor prior to their providing food to the public at special (Temporary Food) events, the Agent states that the office requested an interpretation from the State Department of Public Health Food Protection Program (DPH FPP). The State FPP staff provided an interpretation that stated that anything outside of a "route" or pre-designated location could be considered a special "temporary" event and the Board could handle those on a case by case basis, requiring applications so the Board of Health will have notice for potential inspections. The Inspector stated that the Mobile Food permits do require locations to be noted on their permit, in advance, per Code. The Agent stated that in order to comply with public health standards and the need to inspect periodically is the reason why this issue was brought up, discussed, and voted upon at the May 18th meeting. The Chairman said that it is confusing and that she will talk to the State FPP staff person who made the interpretation.

Linda Cocalis has asked to hold the discussion on the requirements in abeyance until the next meeting.

45 Seneca Lane – Craig Moran

Continuing mold problem, Craig Moran has come before the Board to give an update on the outcome of the Conservation Commission's recommendation of the tree removal on his property at 45 Seneca Lane. The Conservation Agent recommended removing 15 trees on the property on Friday, May 22, 2015. Then on Saturday, May 23, 2015, the Conservation Commission took another site visit and approved only 9 trees to be taken down. Linda Cocalis asked the Agent to draft a letter to the Conservation Commission clarifying if the additional trees were impacting the wetlands to readdress the issue based on the mold inspector's report and the health concerns of the resident Craig Moran.

376 Main St – Village Hotdogs

Greg Hudzig is selling the business to Mr. Robert D'Ambra and he is requesting that the Board of Health approve a variance of a 3 bay sink with the new ownership of Village Hotdogs. The existing establishment has no kitchen facilities to support a 3-bay sink; to date all prep work is done at Sturbridge Seafood across the parking lot. Alyssa Rusiecki and Wendi Denning would like to see the preparation, cooking, cleaning and transportation of the chili prior to granting the variance. Thus, a provisional variance will be granted so that Wendi Denning may review the process prior to the next BoH meeting on June 15. Robert D'Ambra must obtain a passing ServSafe certificate as a condition of the variance. Until then, Mr. Hudzig will be on the property supervising when the business is open. Mr. Hudzig will take responsibility under his ServSafe.

Agent's Report

Alyssa Rusiecki requested from the BoH to waive the perc fee of \$120 for Habitat Humanity for a site on Podunk Road. Linda Cocalis motioned to approve the request and Bob Audet seconded, (APPROVED 2-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, June 15, at 5:30PM

Respectfully Submitted

Lynne Girouard, Clerk
Alyssa Rusiecki, Health Agent

REVIEWED: 6-15-2015

APPROVED By: LC, RA, RV