

TOWN OF WESTBOROUGH MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF HEALTH MONTHLY MEETING

FORBES MUNICIPAL BUILDING 45 WEST MAIN STREET, SUITE 25 WESTBOROUGH, MA 01581-1916

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Tuesday
July 20, 2010
Forbes Municipal Bldg., Room 24
5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of Meeting (6/15/2010)
- 2. Director's Report (6/2010)
- 3. Sanitarian's Report (6/2010)
- 4. Health Inspector's Report (6/2010)
- 5. New Business
 - A. Hisa Japanese Restaurant Variance Request 5:45 p.m.
 - B. Cheng Du Restaurant Variance Request 6:00 p.m.
 - C. Solid Waste Contract
- 6. Director's Issues
- 7. Adjourn



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Minutes of Board of Health Meeting July 20, 2010

The regular Board of Health meeting was held on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, in room 24 in the Forbes Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Chairman Ehrlich. Present: Members Federici and Reh, Director McNulty, Sanitarian Baccari, and Health Inspector Gilchrist. Bills and payroll were signed.

Minutes of meeting held on June 15, 2010, were reviewed and approved.

Director's report (6/10) was discussed and approved.

Sanitarian's report (6/10) was discussed and approved.

Health Inspector's report (6/10) was discussed and approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Cheng Du Restaurant - Variance Request

At 5:50 p.m., the Board met with Kuo Rung Tang, owner of the Cheng Du Restaurant, 157 Tumpike Road, to discuss his request for a variance for the acidification of cooked rice to render it non-potentially hazardous to use for sushi that he plans to serve at his restaurant. Mr. Tang has submitted a HAACP plan.

The Health Inspector said the plan is in order and recommended the variance be granted. Cheng Du also needs to employ a certified chef.

Chairman Ehrlich reiterated to Mr. Tang that the HAACP plan should be followed as specifically as possible to avoid any health risks.

A motion was made by Member Federci to grant the variance to the Cheng Du Restaurant. The motion was seconded by Member Reh; the vote was unanimous.

Hisa Japanese Restaurant - Variance Request

At 6:00 p.m., the Board met with Leo and Cindy Chen, new owners of Hisa Japanese Restaurant, to discuss their request for a variance for the acidification of cooked rice to render it non-potentially hazardous to use for sushi that they plan to serve at the restaurant. Andrea Kor, paralegal for Attorney Coleman's office, accompanied Leo and Cindy Chen. A HAACP plan has been submitted. A variance had already been granted to the previous owners, but, change of ownership requires the new owners to apply for their own variance and develop their own HAACP plan.

The Health Inspector said everything is in order and they have done everything they needed to do. She recommended the variance by granted. Health Inspector said Leo is already serve-safe certified and will do all the cooking.

Chairman Ehrlich said there are several restaurants in Town that serve sushi and sushi does present potential health risks. The plan submitted should be followed and inspections will be conducted periodically.

A motion was made by Member Federici to grant the variance to the new owners of Hisa, Leo and Cindy Chen. The motion was seconded by Member Reh; the vote was unanimous.

The Health Inspector reminded the owners of Hisa that the variance can be revoked, if problems occur.

Solid Waste Contract

Member Reh made a motion to accept the solid waste contract with E. L. Harvey & Sons as written; Member Federici seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous.

Board members signed the one-year contract. The agreement will commence immediately and terminate on June 30, 2011. The fee remains the same as last year's contract (\$36.00/ton).

Director's Issues

Dump sticker sales are going well. The two senior volunteers assigned to the Board of Health have been a big help. For the first time, stickers can be purchased on line. There have been a few problems when ordering on line with a credit card. Director McNulty has been in contact with the bank that manages the web site.

A revised Open Meeting Law went into effect July 1st. Some of the modifications to the law were discussed.

Mr. Weir, 51 Mt. Pleasant Street, has not contacted the office.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 21, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Katnieen Smith

Administrative Assistant