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BOARD OF HEALTH MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday
September 30, 2014
Central One Federal Credit Union, 2nd Floor
40 South Street
5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of Meeting (7/15/2014)
2. Director's Report (July and August)
3. Sanitarian's Report (August)
4. Health Inspector's Reports (July and August)
5. Old Business
 - A. Scott Knox - Wayside Mobil Park - 5:45 pm
6. New Business
 - A. AFC Sushi - variance request - 6:00 pm
 - B. Bhaskar Rednam - Mirchi - 6:15 pm - possible suspension of food permit
7. Director's Issues
8. Adjourn



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Minutes of Board of Health Meeting September 30, 2014

The regular Board of Health meeting was held on Tuesday, September 30, 2014, in the Community Room at the Central One Federal Credit Union, 40 South Street. The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm. by Chairman Federici. Present: Member Ehrlich, Director Baccari, Sanitarian Gauthier and Inspector Gilchrist. Absent: Walsh. Bills and payroll were signed.

Minutes of the meeting held on July 15, 2014, were approved.

Director's reports (July and August) were discussed and approved.

Sanitarian's report (August) was discussed and approved.

Health Inspector's reports (July and August) were discussed and approved.

New Business

At 5:45 p.m., the Board met with Scott Knox, President of the Board of Directors of the Turnpike Park Cooperative and Attorney Scott Wrenn for an update on the progress of the trailer park's connection to town sewer. Mr. Knox said that while the cooperative was going through the financing process, it was discovered that seven of the trailers are encroaching on property owned by a next-door commercial business (U-Haul). A final survey will give easements for the encroachments and satisfy one of the hurdles to get the financing done.

Mr. Knox said they recently found out that the contractor that the cooperative has been working with could not be bonded. They are now negotiating with a new contractor from Concord who said he can do the work through the winter. They plan to meet with this contractor tomorrow, but as it stands right now, they have no contractor for the sewer project. Mr. Knox will return for the Board's November meeting.

At 6:00 p.m., the Board prepared to meet with Andrew Chan, regional manager for AFC Franchise Corp. AFC is seeking a variance for the preparation of sushi. AFC Sushi is replacing the previous sushi take-out service at the Super Stop & Shop Supermarket located at 32 Lyman Street. AFC is headquartered in California and has 74 franchises in Massachusetts. A HACCP plan has been submitted. Inspector Gilchrist recommended the variance be granted. **Member Ehrlich made a motion to grant the variance to AFC Franchise for the sushi operation at Stop & Shop Supermarket, 32 Lyman Street. The motion was seconded by Chairman Federici; the vote was unanimous.**

At 6:15 p.m., the Board prepared to meet with Bhaskar Rednam, owner of Mirchi Restaurant, 291 Turnpike Road. There have been numerous violations and unsanitary conditions found at the restaurant during inspections and there is the possibility of a suspension or revocation of his permit.

Sanitarian Gauthier said all the violations were corrected within hours of his inspections. The owner has, on his own, hired a consultant. Both the consultant and the owner have kept in touch with the BOH and positive progress has been made.

Mr. Rednam said he fired his head chef who was responsible for the day-to-day operation of the restaurant. He has hired a consultant and made several changes. Mr. Rednam said he is the owner/businessman. He does not do any food preparation, but he is ServeSafe certified. Inspector Gilchrist said the certified person-in-charge needs to make sure all employees comply. The employees need to know that just one incident could close the restaurant. Sanitarian Gauthier said it's important that the employees not slide back to their "old" food handling practices. Director Baccari said Mr. Rednam has been very responsive. Sanitarian Gauthier said the next inspection will be in November/December.

DIRECTOR'S ISSUES

Household Hazardous Waste Day was held on Saturday, September 27, 2014. Approximately 250 cars came through.

Board members signed a letter to the Region 2 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coalition designating Sanitarian Gauthier as the BOH's alternate representative. Director Baccari is the primary representative.

Update - rodent problem on East Main Street. There has been very little rodent activity. The exterminator is still monitoring the situation and will continue to monitor the area for another three to four months.

Director Baccari has applied for a grant through the MassDEP that will assist the Town in exploring ways to increase and maximize its recycling program.

FDA Tobacco Violation Letter - The FDA conducts their own compliance checks. An FDA inspector was in Westborough on July 3rd. During a compliance check at TJ Farm, 31 South Street, cigarettes were sold to a minor and the minor's identification was not checked. The owner of TJ Farm was sent a "warning letter" from the FDA. The letter informing the BOH of the violation was received just a few days ago. There is no action required from the BOH; the letter was simply to inform the BOH of the violation. Director Baccari reminded the Board that the Town's new tobacco regulations go into effect October 1st.

Flu vaccine (250 doses) was received today. This will probably be the last year that DPH will supply the vaccine to local boards of health.

Hocomonco Pond - There was a site walk with reps from the DEP and EPA in July. Most of the area has been cleaned up. There are signs posted around Hocomonco that prohibit fishing and swimming that were placed there in the mid-1980's by the Board of Health. An EPA representative said it was not a condition of the EPA, the Town passed those ordinances. As the Town moves forward to open up the area for passive recreational use, the signs might have to be revoked.

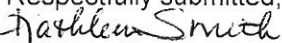
A TB case that is still in the assessment stage has the potential to require DOT for six months. The case could cost the BOH a significant amount of money. The VNA nurse has contacted DPH for their assistance with this case.

Salary payroll for Director Baccari will now be signed and submitted by the Town Accountant.

Health Inspector Moore will submit monthly reports to the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 14, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Smith