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BOARD OF HEALTH MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday
October 27, 2015
Westborough Fire Station Meeting Room
42 Milk Street
5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of Meeting (September 29, 2015)
- 2. Director's Report (September)
- 3. Sanitarian's Report (September)
- 4. Health Inspectors' Report (September)
- 5. Director's Issues

Adjournment



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Minutes of Board of Health Meeting October 27, 2015

The regular Board of Health meeting was held on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, in the Westborough Fire Station Meeting Room, 42 Milk Street. The meeting was called to order at 5:38 p.m. by Chairman Walsh. Present: Member Hashmi, Director Baccarí, Sanitarian Gauthier, and Inspector Gilchrist. (Member Ehrlich arrived at 5:49.)

The minutes of the meeting held on September 29, 2015, were approved.

Director's report (September) was discussed and approved.

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

Health Inspectors' reports including the part-time Health Inspector's (September) were discussed and approved. Inspections recently conducted at Mirchi found numerous repeat violations. The establishment is already on probation. The owner will come before the Board at next month's meeting. Due to numerous violations found during a recent inspection, the owners of Sapporo are scheduled for an administrative meeting with the staff.

DIRECTOR'S ISSUES

The BOH recently received notification from the VNA that as of December 31, the agency will no longer provide communicable disease assistance and follow-up for Westborough. Director Baccari will search for a replacement.

Chairman Walsh signed the Wheelabrator Millbury contract. A "corporate guarantee" clause had been accidently omitted in the original contract that was signed in December. The inclusion of the "corporate guarantee" was the only revision to the contract.

The FY17 budget is due next month. Director Baccari is seeking an increase in two budget lines; training and education and inspection forms.

With a full board present, the Tobacco21 Movement was discussed. An advocate for this initiative is urging the BOH members to adopt the regulation to raise the minimum age to 21. The legal age for buying tobacco products in Westborough is 18 and compliance checks are funded and conducted by the Worcester Regional Tobacco Control Collaborative. If the Board opted to raise the minimum age to 21, the compliance checks would have to be financed by the BOH. Federal funds are used for the under 18 compliance checks. There is currently no money in the budget to subsidize this expense. This was for discussion only; no action was taken at this time.

The BOH has been awarded a second technical assistance grant from the DEP to explore options for residential trash removal and increase the recycling rate to help reduce the Town's solid waste tonnage. A committee will be formed and will include representatives from the Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen, Board of Health, and the community. Director Baccari and Member Ehrlich will meet with Ben Harvey on November 5th. Chairman Walsh said one thing he would like to find out with this grant is what exactly comprises the solid waste tonnage. Member Ehrlich said some of the data that would be helpful

would be how many of the Tidy Town customers pay extra for recycling and how many residents have recycling stickers, but do not have a dump sticker. Director Baccari commented that curbside pickup would significantly reduce the Town's tonnage; there is a lot of illegal dumping occurring at the transfer station.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 17, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Smith