



THE BOARD OF HEALTH  
MIXTER MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING  
120 PRESCOTT STREET  
WEST BOYLSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01583

February 13, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Members present: Robert Barrell, Alan Harris, Celia Hartigan and Mary-Isabel Luddy Members absent: Richard Chapman

Chairman Barrell convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. This is the first Board meeting being held in the new location of 127 Hartwell Street.

Meeting Minutes After review and upon motion of Dr. Harris and second of Mrs. Hartigan, it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2008 Board of Health Meeting.

Bills were paid

Septic Design Drawings for 227 Fairbanks Street Septic design drawings for 227 Fairbanks Street were discussed. Mrs. Luddy had questions that she will address to Finlay Engineering before making a decision to approve the plan prepared by Ross Associates in January 2008 numbered L10725.

Residents at 12 Sterling Place Health and Safety Discussion The Board was informed by the Police Department that they and EMTs had been called to 12 Sterling Place The Police Report was read. Mrs. Mard shared her phone conversation with Mrs. Keener and Elders at Risk. Mr. Barrell will try to speak with Mr. Keener to arrange for a site visit.

Mutual Aid Agreement The Board acknowledged the Mutual Aid Agreement Among Public Health Agencies in Emergency Preparedness Region II. At the May 2006 Town Meeting, the Town voted to allow the Board to enter into a mutual aid agreement with other Region II cities and towns. Chairman Barrell signed that agreement.

Annual Town Report Mrs. Hartigan agreed to prepare the narrative for the FY07 Annual Town Report.

Air Quality Report Major Edwards School The Board looked over the Odor Investigation/Indoor Air Quality Assessment for Major Edwards School that was prepared following an inspection on December 21, 2007 by the DPH Bureau of Environmental Health. The School is still actively pursuing correcting the odor problem in the lower level classrooms.

Town Meeting Schedules The Board acknowledged two Town Meeting schedules. The first is for a Special Town Meeting on March 10, 2008 and the second is for the Annual Town Meeting on May 19, 2008.

Kopelman and Paine Memorandum Re: Massage Therapy The Board read a memorandum February 13, 2008 Board of Health Meeting Minutes Page 2.

from Kopelman and Paige dated January 25, 2008, regarding the Commonwealth of Massachusetts preemption over local licensing of massage therapists. The memo explains that the responsibility for licensing and inspection of massage therapists and massage therapy establishments now falls under the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and not the Town.

Traininig Opportunities Four training opportunities were read. Mrs. Hartigan will attend the MHOA Infectious Disease Surveillance session and Mrs. Luddy, Mrs. Hartigan and Mrs. Mard Will attend the Statewide Mass Public Health Rationalization project session.

Reclassification of the Administrative Position The Board inquired on the status of the Towns job description project. The goal is to have the new description approved for submission to the Town Meeting Warrant in May of 2008. The status is that the Town Administrator is waiting for the consultant doing the project to return the completed descriptions to him. Mrs. Mard will follow up with the Town Administrator to get a timeframe for completion of the process.

With no further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Mrs. Hartigan and second of Mrs. Luddy it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

Barbara A Mard

Robert J Barrell, Chairman  
N. Alan Harris, MD, Vice Chairman  
Celia F Hartigan, RN, Member  
Mary Isabel, RS, Member