

BOARD OF HEALTH
140 WORCESTER ST
WEST BOYLSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01583

March 26, 2014
Meeting Minutes

Members present: Robert Barrell, Celia Hartigan, Beverly Salate and Lisa Henderson

Members absent: Alan Harris

Also present: Karyn Clark

Chairman Barrell convened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Karyn Clark, Chief of Community Health, Department of Public Health Re: Nicotine Delivery Products

Karyn Clark, Chief of Community Health, Department of Public Health was in attendance to discuss the Board adopting a regulation that would change the age to purchase a nicotine delivery product from 18 to 21 years of age. This discussion was triggered by an email from Dr. Lester Hartman, MD, MPH, FAAP, Westwood/Mansfield Pediatrics who is working with others to encourage cities and towns in Massachusetts to increase the purchasing age to 21.

Mrs. Clark shared a presentation, "Addressing 21" that states at this time there is no evidence based information that increasing the purchasing age has decreased the incidence of youth purchasing or using nicotine products. The grant we are currently working under requires compliance checks be performed by 16 and 17 year olds. Children of these ages would rarely pass for 21 making the compliance check ineffective. Mrs. Clark also shared Worcester is way behind with their nicotine sale regulations. Mrs. Mard informed the Board during the Department Head meeting on Monday March 24, 2014, Town Administrator was not in favor of increasing the age to 21 until Worcester does. He did not want the age change to decrease business for West Boylston merchants that sell nicotine delivery products. Chairman Barrell had issues with the omission of compliance checks. The thought process is for all the communities in the Alliance to adopt the age change at the same time. After discussion it was decided not to move forward at this time.

Attorney Cheryl Sbarra was unable to attend this meeting as scheduled. The Board decided to table discussing the smoking regulations until a future undetermined date. Mrs. Clark will stay in touch with the Board regarding updating the smoking regulations.

Mrs. Clark updated the Board on the MOAPC Grant activities. This grant addresses prescription and non prescription overdose prevention and youth. Chief Minnich and Mrs. Mard have been participating in these activities on behalf of West Boylston.

February 26, 2014 Board of Health Meeting Minutes After review and upon motion of Mrs. Salate and second of Mrs. Henderson it was voted all in favor to approve the February 26, 2014, Board of Health Meeting Minutes.

Septic System Design Drawings 58 and 60 Keyes Street After review and upon motion of Mrs. Hartigan and second of Mrs. Salate it was voted all in favor to approve the following septic design drawings:

- 58 Keyes Street prepared by Hub Survey Associates, Inc., dated February 28, 2014, numbered W1402-28A.
- 60 Keyes Street prepared by Hub Survey Associates, Inc., dated February 28, 2014, numbered W1402-28A

Central MA Regional Public Health Alliance Quarterly Meeting The Board was informed that the next meeting of the CMRPHA will be held on April 17, 2014 at the Grafton Police Station, 28 Providence Road from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the training room on the second floor. Agenda will be sent when available.

Annual Report 2013 The annual report prepared by CMRPHA management was in the agenda package for the Board's review and edit. The permit page prepared by Mrs. Mard was also included. The Board commented that the CMRPHA report looked too long and questioned if some of the medical information should be included. The members will review and discuss at the next meeting. The Annual Report is due to the Municipal Assistant by April 18, 2014.

Dollar Tree 91 West Boylston St. A permit application and fee has been received from Dollar Tree Store, Inc., 500 Volvo Pkwy, Chesapeake, VA. This store will be located at 91 West Boylston St., Scarlet Brook Plaza. The application includes the floor plan and items to be sold. All the food will be pre-packed. The only dairy will be ice cream. Tennille Gerald, New Store Set Up Coordinator, will contact the Board of Health office for a pre-inspection one week prior to opening.

Sharps Program Announcement Town Administrator Leon A. Gaumond, Jr. emailed his blog posting to the Board FYI. The announcement was posted on March 21, 2014 and states the following:
The Town of West Boylston is happy to announce a partnership with the Town's trash collection service (Republic Services) in a needle take-back program. As you may know, diabetics and other citizens who need regular injections have no means of disposing used needles in the Town's regular trash. Republic Services is launching a new service on April 1, 2014 to accept needle returns in the mail. The email goes on to explain how the program works. Mr. Gaumond intends to include an announcement with the May 19, 2014 Town Meeting mailer.

Subpoena for 11 Bowles Ave Apt. 8 A subpoena dated March 5, 2014, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Housing Court was hand delivered by David P. Mallett, Constable to Mrs. Mard. Attorney Craig T. Ornell was the originator. The subpoena instructs Mrs. Mard to appear on March 20, 2014 and bring all documentation, reports, notes etc. regarding the property at 11 Bowles Avenue #8 in West Boylston, Massachusetts as well as any documentation in her possession regarding the property owner Susan Talman-Meola.

Mrs. Mard gave the details of the court appearance, the purpose of which was to evict the tenant, Ms. Kristin Rigney from 11 Bowles Ave #8.

Planning Board Public Hearing Notice Re: Proposed Changes to Zoning Bylaws A public hearing notice from the Planning Board was acknowledged. The subject of the hearing is proposed changes to the Zoning Bylaws to include a Medical Marijuana Overlay District bylaw for the purpose of providing placement of Registered Dispensaries (RMD's) in accordance with the Humanitarian Medical Use of Marijuana Act in Business and Industrial districts. The hearing is scheduled for March 26, 2014, at 7:00 p.m.

Central Mass Suicide Prevention Coalition Event The Board acknowledged a save the date flyer for the Central Massachusetts Suicide Prevention Coalition Awareness Breakfast to be held on May 2, 2014 at the Wachusett Country club. The host is Jordan Levy, former Worcester Mayor and the guest speaker is Robert Antonioni, former State Senate and State Representative. Chief Minnich and Mrs. Mard and any other interested Board members, along with Town Administrator Gaumond will attend.

Fatal Injuries at Work The Board acknowledged the 2012 Massachusetts Department of Public Health Fatal Injuries at Work report.

Registry of Vital Records and Statistics Changes A letter from Antonio Sousa, MHA, Registrar, Registry of Vital Records and Statistics regarding important changes to the Death Certificate and electronic registration. The letter informs the Board that Massachusetts will transition the current paper death certificate process to an electronic death registration system, commonly known as "EDRS". A form was provided to inform the Registry of who in West Boylston issues burial permits for the Town. Mrs. Mard prepared the document with the Town Clerks information and mailed it to the Registry in Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Central Mass Region Public Health Alliance Membership Town Administrator Gaumond asked the Board to discuss and vote on the length of time they agree to continue membership with the CMRPHA. After discussion and upon motion of Mrs. Hartigan and second of Mrs. Salate, it was voted all in favor to continue membership with the CMRPHA for one year.

With no-further business to come before the Board and upon motion of Mrs. Henderson and second of Mrs. Hartigan, it was voted all in favor to adjourn at 8:30 p.m.

Barbara A. Mard

Robert J. Barrell, MPA, Chairman

N. Alan Harris, MD, MPH, Vice Chairman

Celia F. Hartigan, RN, MPH

Beverly A. Salate, RN, BSN

Lisa M. Henderson, RN, LSW