

Winthrop Board of Health

May 31. 2012

Meeting held in the Emergency Operation Center

Convened at 6: 02PM

Adjourned at 7: 50PM

ATTENDING:

James L. Little, Chairman

Laura Lopez, Clerk

Bridget Mulkerrin, member

Eric Moore, Director of Public Health

Ro Sarro, RN, Public Health Nurse

Jeanne Maggio, Medical Reserve Coordinator

Guests: Pat Milano

Mary Lou Osborne

Minutes of April 26, 2012 were read and accepted. Motion to approve April 26, 2012 minutes by Laura Lopez and seconded by James Little. Bridget Mulkerrin abstained not present at last meeting.

Motion approved

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion : Proposed amendments to Food Regulations.

Recent Salmonella outbreak in local restaurant reported to the Board of Health by the Department of Public Health. A follow up risk assessment and food establishment inspection was conducted by State Inspectors and Winthrop Director of Public Health. It was determined that

chicken salad be suspended from the menu until lab reports from the samples taken by the state be analyzed. With corrective measures in place it was determined by the State and Board of Health that chicken salad operations can resume. Mary Lou Osborne and Pat Milano addressed their concerns at the meeting. Written concerns from Mary Lou Osborne and Pat Milano are available at the Board Office by request.

ACTION: Proposed amendments to be discussed at a special Board Meeting scheduled for June 12, 2012 at 6PM in the EOC. The owner of the food establishment will be sent notice to appear at meeting. The Board Director will continue to monitor the food establishment for food safety.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

1. Health Forum held at the E.B. Newton on May 17, 2012 with guest speakers from the DPH addressing cancer concerns relating to Winthrop.
2. The board continues to receive nuisances and complaints. Many have been resolved.
3. French Square Market inspections will be ongoing over the summer.
4. Beach inspections have commenced and will be ongoing during the summer.
5. Swimming pool inspections-permits to run until Sept. 30, 2012.
6. Winthrop is up and running on MAVEN a state site to monitor communicable diseases.
7. Mr. Moore attended Housing Inspector Training.
8. Mr. Moore represented the Town Manager at the C.R.W. Elder Services 40th anniversary reception.
9. Mr. Moore attended Arbovirus conference in Danvers preparation for the mosquito control season.

Public Health Nurse Report:

1. Ro Sarro reports the number of citizens in the Blood Pressure Clinic has declined. She cites reasons many citizens monitoring their own blood pressures by purchasing blood pressure equipment.
2. 390 flu vaccine doses ordered for the upcoming flu season. More can be ordered if needed.
3. DPH Report of Communicable Diseases available to the nurse office via MAVEN on the computer.

MRC Report:

1. Jeanne reports a program held in Revere on Triage training for emergencies was attended by 14 members of the Winthrop MRC.
2. Ro Sarro and Jeanne Maggio attended a training on Sheltering at the Du val Institute information to be shared at MRC meetings.
3. A series on sheltering will be on the agenda of the MRC meetings in 3 phases.

First table discussions with scenarios, second partial setup of sheltering, and third seeking volunteers to enact a shelter situation.

4. Jeanne and Ro attended a program at the Animal Rescue League on sheltering of animals.
5. MRC will be available at the French Square Market with a first aid station.
6. Plans for emergency prep fair underway.

Motion to adjourn at 7:50PM by Laura Lopez and seconded by Bridget Mulkerrin.

Motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: Special Meeting June 12, 2012 in the Emergency Operating Center at 6 PM.

ALL DOCUMENTS USED AT THIS MEETING ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST AT THE BOARD OF HEALTH OFFICE.