

Public Health and Safety Sub-Committee meeting with Board of Health

May 5, 2010

Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM

Attending were;

Councilor Jean Maggio, Councilor Larry Powers, Council VP Linda Calla

Board of Health members Bridget Mulkerrin (Chair), James Little, Health Inspector Eric Moore, Paul Clayton (Building Dept.)

BOH member Aldo Amatuucci absent

Discussion of fees for the Board of health including;

Catering fees

Decision made to have the BOH define "catering" more exactly, i.e. difference between catering that provides servers vs. "drop off" catering.

Inspector Moore informed the group that caterers who are based in another town should be providing their certificate (license?) from that town, the menu and a copy of their Serve Safe certificate when doing business in Winthrop.

Abrasive blasting

BOH to discuss this issue with the Building Inspector as to applicability with lead paint removal from houses (containment etc.)

Dumpsters

Question arose as to what a funeral dumpster is.

BOH to look into the time frame for a temporary dumpster permit.

Portable toilets

Does Parks and Recreation pay a fee?? It was noted that normally town departments do not pay a fee for permits.

Ice Cream vehicles.

Recommendation that persons applying for this type of permit be subject to a CORI check, as they are in contact with children. This is currently not required.

New fees

Needed to cover the cost of providing the service, i.e. inspections done at the request of the State on dwellings that have "Section 8" tenants.

Considerable discussion on the issue of abandoned buildings and the process necessary for the town to have them torn down if necessary.

Instituting a new fee for variance hearings for BOH requirements (\$25.00?)

Discussion on instituting a late filing fee for common victualers licenses

Should the Town start a new time frame protocol that includes renewal notices sent out in May with all inspections completed by the end of June?
Should license holders pay for the license prior to inspections? And if not paid by July 15 be charged a late fee?

Discussion of a new fee for failing to comply with an order to correct a health code violation (first offense \$100.00 up to a max of \$500.00). Health inspector stated he currently uses the established State fees for this purpose, does not see the need to add them to the Town fee schedule.

Discussion on the need to institute a tobacco fee permit for vendors selling tobacco products.

Discussion of increasing the livestock fee to \$25.00 plus \$1.00 per animal.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM