

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – September 10, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Kellard, at Town Manager's Conference Room at 7:05 P.M. with the reading of the public notice, posted by the Town Clerk. Also in attendance were: Linda Carroll, Member; Peter Mirandi, Director of Public Health; and Marian Myers, Epidemiologist. Excused were: Mark Carleo, Public Health Inspector; Edmund Kowalski, Member; and, Tracy Camarro, Public Health Nurse.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: THE JUNE 4, 2007 MEETING (AMENDED), AUGUST 13 MEETING; AUGUST 20 HEARING

The Board approved the June 4 amended minutes, the August 13 meeting minutes (with amendments to the year-to-date tally columns of Communicable Diseases, Animal & Pest Control Events, Licensing & Permits, and Public & Environmental Health Violations/Nuisance Investigations), and the August 20 Mandarin Danvers hearing minutes.

FOOD SAFETY UPDATE

Mirandi provided the Board with a letter from Diane Bernazzani of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's Food Protection Program. Bernazzani stated in this letter that she appreciates the Danvers Board of Health participating in the FDA National Food Regulatory Program Standards. No further action is required.

Mirandi next gave an update on the following food establishments:

- Mandarin Danvers – hired a food safety consultant. The consultant provided an initial training but was not retained for inspections. A copy of the minutes, which detail exactly what is required, was provided to Mandarin.
- Crab House – A consultant has been hired. He has conducted training and an inspection. During a brief inspection recently, no critical violations were observed. However, only limited food preparation was being conducted at the time.
- KFC – This establishment has hired a consultant who will conduct training for all food handlers and provide a maintenance schedule for the facility.

Site visits and follow-ups will be conducted prior to the next meeting.

TOBACCO CONTROL

Mirandi gave the Board an update on the three (3) tobacco vendors whose permit had been suspended for seven (7) days after the last compliance checks. Concord Gas, Walgreens, and Route 114 Sunoco were found to be in full compliance by Joyce Redford who conducted spot-checks. No further action required at this time.

EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Epidemiologist Myers gave the monthly disease investigation report.

The following diseases have been reported since the August 13 meeting (08/13/2007):

	<u>Since Last Meeting</u> (08/13/07)	<u>Year to Date</u> (Beginning July 1, 2007)
Aeromonas Hydrophilia	0	0
Babesiosis	0	0
Campylobacter Enteritis	0	0
Chicken Pox	0	1
Clostridium	0	0
Cryptococcus	0	0
Cryptosporidium	0	0
Dengue Fever	0	0
Erlichia Chaff.	0	0
Ehrlichiosis	0	0
Giardiasis	1	1
Group A Strept	0	1
Group B Strept	0	0
Hepatitis A	0	0
Hepatitis B	0	1
Hepatitis C	0	1
Influenza	0	0
Legionellosis	0	0
Lyme Disease	0	8
M.R.S.A.	0	0
Aseptic Meningitis	0	0
Bacterial Meningitis	0	0
Nisseria Meningitis	0	0
Pertussis	0	0
Salmonellosis	0	2
Shigellosis	0	0
Streptococcus pneumonia	0	0
Toxoplasma IGG	0	0
Tuberculosis	0	0
Tuberculosis follow up	0	2
West Nile Virus	0	0
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0

TOTAL =	1	17

ANIMAL AND PEST CONTROL

Mirandi gave an update on the rabies control program:

	<u>Since Last Meeting</u> (08/13/07)	<u>Year to Date</u> (Beginning July 1, 2007)
Cat bites	0	0
Dog bites	0	0
Wild animal bites	0	0

TOTAL =	0	0

STRAYS IN NEED

Mirandi informed the Board that Strays in Need had met and are prepared to participate in their first fund raiser – the Blessing of the Animals at Endicott Park on October 6 from 1 to 4PM. He also mentioned Kathy Ciman is off to a great start and has high hopes for the endeavor. The next meeting is scheduled for September 13.

OTHER BUSINESS

No PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE’S REPORT or ACTIVITY REPORT was available due to absent staff. However, the Board requested an update on the following past due topics: Shady Oaks and Danvers Trailer Parks, and hoarding.

With no further business at hand, the Board adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

Peter M. Mirandi
Director of Public Health