

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – May 01, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Kellard, at the Senior Center Conference Room at 7:00 P.M. with the reading of the public notice, posted by the Town Clerk. Also in attendance were: Martha Swindell, Member; Edmund Kowalski, Member; Peter Mirandi, Director of Public Health; Mark Carleo, Public Health Inspector; Marian Myers, Epidemiologist and Tracy Camarro, Public Health Nurse. Jean Marcotti, Animal Care Specialist was excused.

ADMINISTRATION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 07, 2008

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of February 07, 2008.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

MENNINO BROTHERS

Mirandi briefed the Board regarding the complaints which are again received by the Office of the Board of Health. The complaints allege an offensive odor being emitted by Mennino Brothers at 144 Pine Street, and were likely due to their cooking process. A Public Hearing was held in January of 2007 in which Christopher Nessen, Owner of Mennino Brothers agreed to install an odor elimination system. Recently, Mirandi discussed the charcoal filters which were installed with the manufacturer who stated the application in this instance is incorrect. The charcoal is not effective at the high temperatures it is exposed to. In addition, no plan or design was ever put together by a mechanical engineer using any data or science.

At this time the Chairman asked if there were any neighbors who wished to speak. Michael Papamichael who owns an abutting property related the complaints from his tenants. He asked why the odor is intermittent. Mr. Nessen responded by explaining the intermittent nature of the odors. Based on a review of his production schedule, he is reasonably certain that the mushrooms that are dressed in balsamic vinegar is the likely culprit. Nessen further stated that May 02, 2008 he will remove the vinegar from the recipe to see if that alleviates the odor. Next, John and Noreen Waters of 3 Wadsworth Street introduced themselves to Nessen and stated that they are not intending to cause economic harm to Mennino Brothers; however, they do want to be sure that the odors are reduced or eliminated.

After further discussion, the Board unanimously voted and Nessen agreed to have the system evaluated by a licensed and knowledgeable professional and again appear before the Board at their next public meeting.

LICENSING & PERMITS

Carleo reported the following permits have been issued since the February meeting:

Type	Monthly <u>Since Last Meeting</u> (02/07/08)	YTD <u>Year to Date</u> (Beginning July 1, 2007)
Body Art (Indv.)	0	4
Body Art (Est.)	1	3
Disposal Works	0	0
Food Est.	5	200
Funeral Dir.	0	0
Mass Est	0	0
Motels	0	0
Pools	0	29
Rec Camps	0	4
Septage Haulers	0	2
Tanning Est.	0	0
Man Housing	0	0
Wells	0	0

Total	6	242

MASSAGE THERAPY

Carleo informed the Board that the General Counsel for the Massachusetts Division of Professional Licensure has sent out a memorandum to all Boards of Health which relieves them of all regulation of the Massage Therapy industry. The Board welcomed this action by the Commonwealth and unanimously voted to rescind their Regulations for Massage Therapy.

MEDIA-BLASTING

Mirandi informed the Board that we had been contacted by neighbors in the Broad Street area regarding a complaint of dust emitted by 12 Broad Street. Upon investigation, the resident was found to have hired an auto-body shop which conducts media-blasting using bicarbonate of soda. However, the media-blasting technician took no precautions to prevent a nuisance. This office issued a cease and desist and ordered the settled dust to be cleaned up in accordance with the material safety data sheet.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE'S REPORT

Nurse Camarro informed the Board that she will be conducting an inventory of our Emergency Dispensing Site and re-stocking as needed. In addition, she will be taking on an intern from the Albany School of Pharmacy. The internship will total forty hours over a period of five weeks. Finally, Nurse Camarro informed the Board that Spring Into Shape continues to be very successful.

EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Myers gave the monthly disease investigation report.

The following diseases have been reported since the February 2008 meeting:

	<u>Since Last Meeting</u> (02/07/08)	<u>Year to Date</u> (Beginning July 1, 2007)
Aeromonas Hydrophilia	0	0
Babesiosis	0	2
Campylobacter Enteritis	0	5
Chicken Pox	1	2
Clostridium	0	0
Cryptococcus	0	0
Cryptosporidium	0	5
Dengue Fever	0	0
EColi 0157:H7	0	1
Ehrlichiosis	0	0
Erlichia Chaff.	0	0
Enterovirus	0	1
Giardiasis	0	6
Group A Strept	0	1
Group B Strept	0	0
Hepatitis A	1	1
Hepatitis B	0	4
Hepatitis C	1	12
Influenza	0	0
Latent TB Infection	0	2
Legionellosis	0	3
Lyme Disease	6	34
M.R.S.A.	0	0
Aseptic Meningitis	0	1
Bacterial Meningitis	0	0
Nisseria Meningitis	0	0
Pertussis	1	2
Pneumonia	1	1
Salmonellosis	0	9
Shigellosis	0	2
Streptococcus pneumonia	1	4
Toxoplasma IGG	0	0
Tuberculosis	2	6
Tuberculosis follow up	0	2
West Nile Virus	0	0
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0

TOTAL =	14	106

ANIMAL CONTROL

STRAYS IN NEED

In Marcotti's absence Mirandi updated the Board on Animal Control activities since the last meeting. Mirandi informed the Board that Marcotti has been attending the Massachusetts Animal Control Officer's Academy in Westfield and is expected to graduate soon. In addition, Strays in Need is currently preparing for the annual Family Festival in Danvers at which, they will host "Dog Party" as in the past. Micro-chipping will be conducted thanks to a \$2,000.00 grant.

RABIES REPORT

No bite report was available at the time.

PEST CONTROL

Mirandi informed the Board that our Best Management Plan for Mosquito Control is in place and has not changed since the previous year. In sum, storm drains will be treated, surveillance conducted by trapping mosquitoes and no spraying will be conducted.

TOBACCO CONTROL

Mirandi informed the Board that the next round of compliance checks should be beginning soon and he was hopeful that we return to our previous high rate of compliance.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Mirandi informed the Board that Nurse Camarro will be conducting a thorough inventory of our Emergency Dispensing Site and re-stocking as needed.

UPDATES:

SHADY OAKS

Mirandi cheerfully informed the Board that Shady Oaks has connected to a sanitary sewer line and abandoned their failed septic systems. Mirandi hoped to provide a final report at the next meeting.

DANVERS TRAILER PARK

Mirandi informed the Board that he has been in contact with the Engineer who has been retained by Danvers Trailer Park. Mirandi again informed the Board that this should be much easier to resolve than Shady Oaks.

20 CONANT STREET

Mirandi informed the Board that while the DEP continues to make threats of enforcement action, they have remained impotent in this case. Mirandi will explore avenues of local enforcement with Town Counsel.

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND HAULING

Mirandi informed the Board that the Downtown Improvement Committee was fully against the dumpster regulation as written. Staff will reconsider the current draft and make another proposal closer to the fall.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:20PM.

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

Mark L. Carleo, CEHT
Board of Health Clerk