

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – November 05, 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; Edmund Kowalski, Member; Peter Mirandi, Director of Public Health; Mark Carleo, Public Health Inspector;. Tracy Camarro, Public Health Nurse and Marian Myers, Epidemiologist was excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 09, 2007

The Board unanimously approved the minutes of October 9, 2007.

FOOD SAFETY UPDATE

Mirandi informed the Board that 39 food handlers recently attended 4 chokesaver trainings ran by Lyons Ambulance and sponsored by the Board of Health.

In addition, Carleo reported that 2008 Applications for a Permit to Operate a Food Establishment would be mailed out by the next meeting.

TOBACCO CONTROL

Mirandi presented the newest copy of the Tobacco Control Regulations to the Board. Mirandi will be hand delivering a copy to each tobacco vendor with a warning letter attached regarding youth access violations in accordance with the Board’s wishes.

EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Mirandi gave the monthly disease investigation report.

The following diseases have been reported since the October 09 meeting (10/09/2007):

	<u>Since Last Meeting</u> (10/09/07)	<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	2
Dengue Fever	0	0
Erlichia Chaff.	0	0
Ehrilichiosis	0	0
Enterovirus	1	1

Giardiasis	0	1
Group A Strept	0	1
Group B Strept	0	0
Hepatitis A	0	0
Hepatitis B	0	3
Hepatitis C	0	2
Influenza	0	0
Legionellosis	0	0
Lyme Disease	2	13
M.R.S.A.	0	0
Aseptic Meningitis	0	1
Bacterial Meningitis	0	0
Nisseria Meningitis	0	0
Pertussis	0	1
Salmonellosis	0	4
Shigellosis	0	0
Streptococcus pneumonia	1	1
Toxoplasma IGG	0	0
Tuberculosis	0	0
Tuberculosis follow up	0	2
West Nile Virus	0	0
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0

TOTAL =	4	33

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE'S REPORT

In the absence of Nurse Camarro, Mirandi informed the Board that at the first flu clinic held at North Shore Community College, approximately 500 vaccinations were provided. Additional clinics will be held over the next two weeks at the Danvers Senior and Social Center. Nurse Camarro will also travel with along with Meals on Wheels to provide vaccinations to those who have difficulty attending our clinics as well as the Danvers Schools to provide vaccinations to staff and faculty.

ANIMAL AND PEST CONTROL

Mirandi introduced to the Board our Animal Care Specialist Jean Marcotti. Jean has been providing leash law patrol services for over a year and her role is slowly evolving to encompass more aspects of our important Animal Health Program. Marcotti informed the Board that over time, she has received a positive response to the educational initiative undertaken to gain compliance with the leash law and looks forward to continuing this in the warmer months.

Carleo gave an update on the rabies control program:

	<u>Since Last Meeting</u> (10/09/07)	<u>Year to Date</u> (Beginning July 1, 2007)
Cat bites	0	0
Dog bites	2	3
Wild animal bites	0	0

TOTAL =	2	3

STRAYS IN NEED

Marcotti gave the Board an update on the activities of Strays in Need. Most recently, a “Blessing of the Animals” was held at Endicott Park to benefit Strays in Need. New volunteers were attracted at this event. Another event planned for December is in the works. Since the new Strays in Need management has assumed responsibility, approximately 30 animals have received medical care and have been adopted.

LICENSING & PERMITS

Carleo reported the following permits have been issued since the October 09 meeting:

Type	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Since Last Meeting</u> (10/09/07)	<u>YTD</u> <u>Year to Date</u> (Beginning July 1, 2007)
Body Art (Indv.)	0	3
Body Art (Est.)	0	2
Disposal Works	0	0
Food Est.	1	4
Funeral Dir.	0	0
Mass Est	0	0
Motels	0	0
Pools	0	29
Rec Camps	0	4
Septage Haulers	0	0
Tanning Est.	0	0
Man Housing	0	0
Wells	0	0

Total	1	42

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Mirandi reminded the Board that Stephen Prendergast is no longer attending our Coalition meetings. Our contracted Environmental Health Inspector Amanda Celentano will be attending on our behalf.

HOARDING

The Board requested Mirandi solicit Town Counsel's opinion on how best to proceed with difficult hoarding cases in which the occupant refuses entry to Health Division Staff. Mirandi agreed and will provide an opinion at the next meeting.

UPDATE: SHADY OAKS

Mirandi informed the Board that DiLuigi has requested permits from the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Board. Mirandi will meet with Karen Nelson and the Chair of the Planning Board prior to DiLuigi's December hearing. Mirandi will also seek advice from Town Counsel on potential legal actions available.

UPDATE: DANVERS TRAILER PARK

Mirandi informed the Board that this issue has become further complicated by the recent arrest of a tenant for assaulting the landlord. The Landlord has been in touch with our office several times. At this time, no imminent health hazard exists and staff will continue to monitor this site.

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

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

Mark L. Carleo, CEHT
Board of Health Clerk