

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – November 5, 2009

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 and Marian Myers, Epidemiologist. Excused were Jean Marcotti, Animal Care Specialist and Tracy Camarro, Public Health Nurse.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of September 24, 2009 were unanimously accepted as written.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

LICENSING & PERMITS

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

Type	Monthly Since Last Meeting (9/24/09)	YTD Year to Date (Beginning July 1, 2008)
Body Art (Indv.)	0	1
Body Art (Est.)	0	1
Disposal Works	0	0
Food Est.	1	224
Funeral Dir.	0	0
Mass Est	0	0
Motels	0	0
Pools	0	33
Rec Camps	0	4
Septage Haulers	0	3
Tanning Est.	0	1
Man Housing	0	0
Wells	0	0

Total	1	267

Carleo informed the Board that by the next Board Meeting, all applications for a permit will be mailed out to our food establishments.

PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH VIOLATIONS/NUISANCE INVESTIGATIONS

Carleo reported the following investigations have been conducted since the April 2nd meeting:

Type	Monthly Since Last Meeting (9/24/09)	YTD Year to Date (Beginning July 1, 2008)
Air Quality	0	2
Animal Control	0	3
Bathing	0	10
Food Safety	1	21

General Env. Health	1	6
Housing	17	147
Hazardous Waste	0	5
Institutional Sanitation	0	3
Pest Control	4	18
Solid Waste	2	21
Waste Water	2	6
Water	0	0

Total	27	242

UPDATE: 39 CHASE STREET

Mirandi offered the Board an update on activities at 39 Chase Street. Several residents were in attendance for an update as well. Mirandi and Carleo had recently met with Diane Norris, Elizabeth Champlin and her attorney Marsha Donovan. Champlin has accepted a bid from Michael McNiff and the closing has been scheduled for November 16, 2009. Arrangements are being made for some of the valuable belongings to be retrieved and stored. Dr. Kellard again expressed his hope for a successful outcome to this issue and thanked Carleo and Mirandi for the efforts beyond their usual duties in resolving this.

The residents in the audience had some questions. Barbara Dunphy requested notification prior to work by the contractor so she can have pest control services in place and Carleo agreed. Don Kennedy asked if there is a specific time frame that McNiff must complete the renovations. No answer was available and he was referred to the Building Inspector with his question. Several neighbors such as John Croteau were still having concerns about rodent control were offered a Sanitary Survey of the neighborhood. The neighbors were receptive to the Sanitary Survey and Carleo offered to make arrangements for this the following week.

At this time, Carleo received a notification of an imminent health threat at the 99 Restaurant on Commonwealth Avenue and the Chairman excused him from the remainder of the meeting. Mirandi resumed the recording of the minutes.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES REPORT

In Nurse Camarro's absence, Mirandi reported to the Board on our flu activities. Delivery of seasonal flu allotments were allayed to allow for delivery of H1N1 vaccine. The vaccine was trickling in slowly; however, he felt he had enough to run a successful clinic for pre-K thru age 9 for November 11th in the afternoon. A full report on this clinic will be given at the next meeting.

EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Epidemiologist Meyers gave the monthly disease investigation report:

	Since Last Meeting (09/24/09)	Year to Date (Beginning July 1, 2008)
Aeromonas Hydrophilia	0	0
Babesiosis	0	0
Campylobacter Enteritis	0	3
Chicken Pox	0	0
Clostridium	0	0
Cryptosporidium	0	2
Dengue Fever	0	0

EColi 0157:H7	0	0
Ehrlichiosis	0	1
Erlichia Chaff.	0	0
Enterovirus	0	0
Giardiasis	0	4
Group A Strept	0	0
Group B Strept	0	2
Hepatitis A	0	1
Hepatitis B	1	5
Hepatitis C	0	6
Influenza	0	1
Latent TB Infection	0	0
Legionellosis	0	0
Lyme Disease	2	35
M.R.S.A.	0	0
Aseptic Meningitis	0	0
Bacterial Meningitis	0	0
Nisseria Meningitis	1	1
Pertussis	1	1
Pneumonia	0	1
Salmonellosis	0	14
Shigellosis	0	0
Streptococcus pneumonia	0	12
Toxoplasma IGG	0	1
Tuberculosis	0	6
Tuberculosis follow up	0	0
West Nile Virus	0	0
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0

TOTAL =	5	105

PEST CONTROL

Carleo continues to respond to calls for service from schools using our new contractor Orkin Commercial Services. An orientation of all schools was conducted and currently, Smith School is our priority.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Mirandi informed the Board that an Incident Command has been established for our flu clinic. Observations will be made by the Regional Coordinator of the Emergency Preparedness Coalition. Paperwork will be submitted to the coalition for re-imbursement of costs associated with the clinic.

RABIES REPORT

In Marcotti's absence, Mirandi reported on our Rabies Control Program:

	Since Last Meeting (09/24/09)	Year to Date (Beginning July 1, 2008)
Dogs	0	4
Cats	0	0
Wild Animals	0	0

TOTAL =	0	4

TOBACCO CONTROL

Present was Joyce Redford to update the Board on some surprising and innovative new product designed to introduce nicotine into the body without the use of traditional tobacco products. Many of these products are marketed as “safe” because of the lack of tobacco smoke. However they are not. Nicotine is still a powerful and very addictive substance. Swindell asked that Mirandi get Joyce Redford in touch with Danvers Cable Access Television. She believed many parents need to know about these products. Mirandi agreed.

With no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:30PM.

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

Mark L. Carleo, CEHT
Board of Health Clerk