

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – February 2, 2012
Town Manager’s Conference Room – Danvers Town Hall, One Sylvan Street, Danvers, MA

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Edmund Kowalski, at the Danvers Town Hall in the Town Manager’s Conference Room at 7:00 P.M. with the reading of the public notice, posted by the Town Clerk. Also in attendance were: Dr. Kellard, Member; Martha Swindell, Member; Peter Mirandi, Director of Public Health.

ADMINISTRATIVE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Kellard motioned to approve the December 1, 2011 meeting minutes. Mrs. Swindell seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

PERMITS AND LICENSING

Mirandi was unable to report how many Food Establishment Permits were issued since the last meeting and stated that we will be meeting on Monday with Full Circle Software for assistance to be able to generate proper reports. The Board would like to have a report no later than March 2012. Swindell asked about the issues from the last meeting at Denny’s and The Hard Cover. Mirandi stated that they had been resolved.

PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH VIOLATIONS/NUISANCE INVESTIGATIONS

Mirandi stated that currently 21 complaints remain active. Hi-lighted cases include the following: air quality, mold, cock roaches, four (4) food safety complaints including another complaint against Denny’s. The management team has changed there again. A comprehensive inspection was conducted and details will be forthcoming. Field training starts February 7, 2012 for Mark Carleo toward his standardization by the federal government by the state.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES REPORT

Mirandi stated that he had met with Nurse O’Shea. Out of 750 flu vaccine doses that were issued, 130 are left. Mirandi stated that O’Shea went above and beyond to vaccinate the public and Town employees, including the Police Station, Fire Station and Schools. CVS delivered vaccine directly to seniors at the Senior Center by appointment. Swindell asked how the flu clinic went at the North Shore Mall. Mirandi stated that the experience would be used for a emergency preparedness drill and O’Shea was able to make contact with other public health nurses. The Nurse’s Wellness Clinic is ever popular at the Senior Center: she is seeing 50 people a month at her 3 days a week clinic. Mrs. Swindell and Nurse O’Shea will represent the Board at the DanversCares meeting.

EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Mirandi reported the following diseases: There was 1 disease reported since the last meeting on December 1, 2011: strep pneumonia.

There were two false positive diseases reported: A mumps case at the High School and a measles case

at the middle school. Last month there was also a misdiagnosis of Hepatitis A at a school cafeteria worker. These activities were additional opportunities to drill for emergencies. There were also 16 cases of Norovirus reported at Cedar Glen.

	Since Last Meeting (12/01/11)	Year to Date (Beginning July 1, 2011)
Aeromonas Hydrophilia	0	0
Anaplasmosis	0	4
Babesiosis	0	0
Campylobacter Enteritis	0	7
Chicken Pox	0	0
Clostridium Difficile	0	0
Cryptosporidium	0	0
Dengue Fever	0	0
EColi 0157:H7	0	0
Ehrlichiosis	0	0
Erlichia Chaff.	0	0
Enterovirus	0	0
Giardiasis	0	0
Group A Strept	0	1
Group B Strept	0	0
Hepatitis A	0	0
Hepatitis B	0	2
Hepatitis C	0	4
Influenza	0	2
Latent TB Infection	0	0
Legionellosis	0	0
Lyme Disease	0	2
Malaria	0	0
M.R.S.A.	0	0
Aseptic Meningitis	0	0
Bacterial Meningitis	0	0
Neisseria Meningitis	0	0
Pertussis	0	0
Pneumonia	0	0
Salmonellosis	0	0
Shigellosis	0	0
Streptococcus pneumonia	1	0
Toxoplasma IGG	0	0
Tuberculosis	0	0
Tuberculosis follow up	0	0
West Nile Virus	0	1
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0

TOTAL =	1	23

ANIMAL HEALTH
STRAYS IN NEED

Mirandi reported that Strays in Need currently has six stray cats. Mirandi added that Marcotti had completed the barn book and submitted it to the State as required.

OTHER

In other Business, Mirandi distributed the Massachusetts Cancer Registry report for the Town. He added that the Board can review the data and we can discuss any questions or concerns at the next meeting.

Next, Mirandi stated that Danvers had received a \$100,000 shared grant to be used to explore regionalization with eight (8) other communities. The first course of action was to craft an Inter-Municipal Agreement. Kellard stated that this wouldn't happen too quickly. Mirandi would like the Board Members to play an active role in this.

Edmund Kowalski asked who will be signing orders now that Dr. Kellard's license had voluntarily expired. Mirandi reported that Tom McLaughlin is willing to sign the orders.

TOBACCO CONTROL UPDATE

Dr. Kellard asked if Tobacco Control has disappeared. Mirandi stated that the compliance checks are no longer being funded.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Mirandi provided the Board with a matrix of the Emergency Preparedness training deliverables. He also discussed a final Mutual Aid Agreement, a copy of which will be forwarded to Town Counsel. 19 Communities worked on this.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

44 Maple Street Dumpsters

Mirandi reported that the dumpsters that were ordered out have not returned but, Dunkin Donuts did not do what they said they were going to do. The board would like to ask Dunkin Donuts why they haven't done as they promised. Kowalski asked that a letter be sent to the owner of Dunkin Donuts and copy the Attorney. In general there has been a vast improvement and Swindell suggested that we wait until the end of March before taking any further action.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Dr. Kellard motioned to adjourn. Ms. Swindell seconded. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

Janell Powers
Board of Health Clerk