

## BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – September 1, 2011

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

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the July meeting were accepted as written.

### PERSONNEL UPDATE

Mirandi introduced Christine O’Shea to the Board of Health as the new Public Health Nurse for the Town of Danvers. The Board welcomed Nurse O’Shea.

### EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Epidemiologist Myers reported the following diseases:

	Since Last Meeting (07/07/11)	Year to Date (Beginning July 1, 2011)
Aeromonas Hydrophilia	0	0
Anaplasmosis	1	1
Babesiosis	0	0
Campylobacter Enteritis	2	2
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	1	1
Group B Strept	0	0
Hepatitis A	0	0
Hepatitis B	2	2
Hepatitis C	2	2
Influenza	0	0
Latent TB Infection	0	0
Legionellosis	0	0
Lyme Disease	2	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	0	0
Toxoplasma IGG	0	0
Tuberculosis	0	0
Tuberculosis follow up	0	0
West Nile Virus	0	0
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0
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TOTAL =	10	10

## **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**

### **FULL CIRCLE TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION**

Carleo gave the Board a brief demonstration of the new Permitting and Complaint Management Software. Carleo highlighted the ability to track complaints as a significant plus. Previously, we have been unable to capture all complaints to justify increases in Health Division funding and staffing levels.

### **PUBLIC HEARING: DENNY’S OF DANVERS**

Mirandi informed the Board that Denny’s of Danvers was cited for numerous violations of the Sanitary Code by Inspectors and had failed to adequately respond to an Order to Correct which was subsequently issued. Present from Denny’s were Charles Sommers, General Manager of Denny’s, Lynne Martin, Regional Manager of Denny’s and Brian Mesley, Director of Operations for Denny’s. Chairman Kellard gave Denny’s the floor. The Denny’s Management Team provided the Board with copies of the risk management plan. The Board requested that staff review the plan, and re-inspect the establishment prior to the next meeting. The Board unanimously agreed that fines should be levied for non-compliance. Denny’s found this plan to be agreeable. With that, the Board requested an update at the next meeting.

### **LICENSING & PERMITS**

Carleo updated the Board on permits issued since the last meeting as recorded in the Full Circle Data Management System.

### **PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH VIOLATIONS/NUISANCE INVESTIGATIONS**

#### **SANDY BEACH**

Mirandi provided the Board with the summary of water quality testing at Sandy Beach this summer. The results were dismal at best. Also present to discuss prevention methods for poor water quality next season were Chris Murphy, Atlantic Goose Management; Jean Marcotti, Animal Care Specialist and Barbara Warren of Salem Sound Coastwatch. Murphy provided the Board with some brief details on his strategies for a more aggressive goose management including the application of a material to grass which they feed on and causes them indigestion as well as possibly oiling the eggs that are laid. Warren suggested vegetation barriers at the grass line to break the line of sight to the water of the geese thereby making them less secure in the area. A fence is another option suggested. The Board thanked them for their assistance and suggestions and asked Mirandi to continue working with them to

develop a more effective strategy.

## **ANIMAL HEALTH**

### **RABIES REPORT**

Marcotti informed the Board of 2 bites since the last meeting. One ground hog fought with a dog. The ground hog tested negative for rabies. In another case, there was a skunk which attacked a resident. The skunk tested positive for rabies and the resident has undergone prophylaxis.

### **STRAYS IN NEED**

Marcotti informed the Board that SIN is currently in possession of a 2 year old beagle, 2 cats and 1 kitten.

## **PEST CONTROL**

Mirandi informed the Board that Mosquito Control has identified a positive WNV mosquito pool. Numerous calls for dead crows have come in to the office. Several options are open at this time which include truck spraying. Other options are being explored. The Board offered Mirandi their support to take whatever action he deems prudent to protect public health.

## **OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

### **8 OAK STREET**

Carleo informed the Board that 8 Oak Street has been cleaned out. The property will remain condemned and at this time no further action is to be taken. The property owner will be working to make a decision on how to proceed. The Board will no longer receive routine updates on this property.

### **HOMELESS POPULATION**

Swindell briefed the Board on the recent meeting of the Board of Selectmen in which the impacts of residents of the various motels in Town were discussed. It is apparent that they are stressing several Departments in Town and unsurprisingly the Commonwealth through State Representative Ted Speiliotis have been of no help to the residents of Danvers which bear the burden.

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