

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – November 3, 2011

Town Manager’s Conference Room – Danvers Town Hall, One Sylvan Street, Danvers, MA

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Kellard, 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: Edmund Kowalski, Member; Martha Swindell, Member; Peter Mirandi, Director of Public Health.

ADMINISTRATIVE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mrs. Swindell motioned to approve the October 6, 2011 meeting minutes with the location of the Dollar Tree Store, recognizing it is the one at the Liberty Tree Mall. Mr. Kowalski seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Mrs. Swindell motioned to approve the minutes from the October 26, 2011 Hearing as presented. Mr. Kowalski seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

PERMITS AND LICENSING

Mirandi reported that 4 Food Establishment Permits and 1 Tanning Facility Permit were issued. Currently 11 complaints are active, 9 cases from last month; some go back to August.

PUBLIC HEARING: Request for Variance from the Plumbing Code by Texas Roadhouse

Mr. Kowalski motioned to approve and issue the variance from the Plumbing Code for the Texas Roadhouse by the recommendation per Carleo, Chief Environmental Health Inspector; Maloney, Building Inspector; and Sakelakos, Plumbing Inspector. Swindell seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS (taken out of order)

44 Maple Street Dumpsters

Richard Ventura was present and represented by Attorney David Harris. Mirandi reminded the Board that at the last meeting, they voted to remove 3 dumpsters in the alley on Nick Paciuto’s property. Mr. Ventura owns and operates Dunkin Donuts on High Street and but not a tenant of the property that was cited so, he was not duly notified. In line with the Board’s Order, Mirandi requested that the dumpster be removed nonetheless. Instead of removal however, Ventura moved the dumpster about 10 feet away and onto the property he rents. At this point Mr. Harris proposed to swap out his dumpster with a new dumpster, and screens over the drain holes and a place it on a stand that would raise the dumpster at least 6” off of the ground. He further requested that the Board rescind the Order to remove the dumpster. When asked by the Board, Mirandi added there were 0 critical violations in the past 1 ½ years at Dunkin Donuts but added that the proposed stand will not sit on a pad or sturdy ground, it is on dirt. Mrs. Swindell added that it would need to be locked. Dr. Kellard stated that everyone needs to keep the area clean and picked up and work together. Mr. Kowalski feels that they have been running a clean shop. Mrs. Swindell stated that Ventura should consider attending the Downtown Improvement Committee. With this new dumpster design, Mirandi feels that they are raising the bar for the other dumpsters but added that a contingency plan should be put into place in the event that the dumpster needs to be removed

Mr. Kowalski motioned to rescind the Order as seeing the progress being made and improvements being made and changes being implemented. Mrs. Swindell seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH VIOLATIONS/NUISANCE INVESTIGATIONS
PEST CONTROL UPDATE

Mirandi informed the Board that there was some additional pest control charges incurred last month for the Senior Center and Engine 2 approximately \$500 more than a normal month.

Mirandi also informed the Board that Carleo had amended outdoor plans to spray for mosquitos. The town chose not to spray for mosquitos.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES REPORT

Mirandi stated that CVS will be doing the 4th clinic and that they have done about 100 injections through these 4 clinics. Last week the BOH clinic did about 70 shots. The Schools, Police and Fire are scheduled. Out of the 600 injections we received, there are about 400 left. A clinic was offered at Days Inn where only 10 people out of the 73 families currently housed there received immunization. This fulfilled the obligation from the Mass DPH. Now the vaccine is open to the public. A measles exposure was reported and a booster was given to the child. The parents may need to get boosted as well. There was also a chicken pox exposure. Town Public Health Nurse O’Shea and Town Epidemiologist Myers are working on the protocol for this incident.

EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Mirandi reported the following diseases: There were no diseases reported in October 2011. Two rare cases of West Nile were confirmed. One case lived in Peabody then moved to Danvers.

	Since Last Meeting (10/06/11)	Year to Date (Beginning July 1, 2011)
Aeromonas Hydrophilia	0	0
Anaplasmosis	0	4
Babesiosis	0	0
Campylobacter Enteritis	0	3
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	2
Influenza	0	0
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	0	0
Toxoplasma IGG	0	0
Tuberculosis	0	0
Tuberculosis follow up	0	0
West Nile Virus	1	0
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0

TOTAL =	1	15

ANIMAL HEALTH
STRAYS IN NEED

Mirandi reported that Strays in Need currently have one stray cat.

RABIES REPORT

Mirandi informed the Board that there were no cases of rabies to report. As a follow-up note, the outstanding abandoned pit bull incident incurred quite an expense: Danvers Animal Hospital \$1,097 for treatment and boarding for 25 days plus ACO Plunkett’s charges of \$525.

OTHER

Mrs. Swindell asked about Connors Farm. Mirandi stated that his septic passed and Bob’s barbeque is closed for the season.

TOBACCO CONTROL UPDATE

No updates at this time.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Mirandi informed the Board that the Emergency Preparedness Trailer was lettered paid for out of funding from a grant.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mrs. Swindell motioned to adjourn. Mr. Kowalski seconded. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

Janell Powers
Board of Health Clerk