

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – December 1, 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 DPW 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

Mirandi stated that a correction was made to the Epidemiologist’s report in the minutes of November 3, 2011, adding 1 case of West Nile Virus.

Ms. Swindell motioned to approve the November 3, 2011 meeting minutes. Mr. Kowalski seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

PERMITS AND LICENSING

Mirandi reported that 0 Food Establishment Permits were issued since the last meeting. Mirandi reported that we are up to 240 Food Establishments, 10 more than last year. Mirandi stated that 240 letters will be going out on Friday, December 2, 2011 to the Food Establishments for renewal of Permits.

PUBLIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH VIOLATIONS/NUISANCE INVESTIGATIONS

Currently 19 complaints remain active. Hi-lighted cases include the following: Denny’s had an electrical fire due to some unpermitted work that was done; Hathorne Green has a noise complaint. The Hardcover had their annual liquor license inspection and the Building Inspector found offices in the basement; Health found the kitchen in disarray. An Order to Correct was issued. Mirandi added that a call from the Fire Department on Thanksgiving Day was received. Carleo responded and found heating fuel oil leaking on product at the Mobil station on US1.

PEST CONTROL UPDATE

No updates at this time.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES REPORT

Mirandi stated that he met with Nurse O’Shea. Flu vaccine has been administered to all the schools, the Fire Station, and Danvers Animal Hospital. Of the 610 doses that were allocated, about 400 have been used to date. A regional clinic at the North Shore Mall is scheduled, which will also count as an emergency preparedness drill. Weekly Blood Pressure/Wellness clinics are gaining in popularity.

EPIDEMIOLOGIST REPORT

Mirandi reported the following diseases: There were 4 diseases reported in November 2011. Two cases of Campylobacter Enteritis, both single episodes, one case of Hepatitis C, and one case of

Influenza.

	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	2	5
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	1	3
Influenza	1	1
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	0	1
Yersinia Enterocolytica	0	0
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TOTAL =	4	19

ANIMAL HEALTH

STRAYS IN NEED

Mirandi reported that Strays in Need currently have three stray cats, one diabetic and one pulled from a trailer park in town and two 8-week old kittens. Mirandi added that Marcotti is finishing up the barn book, it will be done for the first of the new year.

RABIES REPORT

No updates at this time.

OTHER

Ma Dukes provided over 900 meals for Thanksgiving Day, most of which were delivered. All food was donated and volunteers helped.

TOBACCO CONTROL UPDATE

No updates at this time.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The Emergency Preparedness Drill at the North Shore Mall was restated.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

44 Maple Street Dumpsters

Mirandi reported that Carleo's inspection and recommendation was to fix the pad and clean it. This has not been done. Carleo will get a report on rodent population from Orkin.

Ms. Swindell said there is standing water on the pad and in the entire area. Mr. Kowalski would like to see the pad repaired before dumpsters return. Mr. Kowalski requested an update on the Dunkin Donuts dumpster with screens and legs. Orkin has been surveying the area and there are many more bait stations placed on the Danvers Historical Society property. Ms. Swindell stated that maybe this should be brought to the attention of the Downtown Improvement Committee. Dr. Kellard stated that all dumpsters should be permitted according to our dumpster regulations. Just do what the law says. In sum, it was determined to keep the order in place for the next 30 days with continued monitoring.

ADMINISTRATION: ANNUAL ROTATION OF THE CHAIR

Dr. Kellard motioned that Ed Kowalski will be the Chair on January 1, 2102 and that the Chair meet with the Town Manager at least annually. Martha Swindell seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried. Ms. Swindell thanked Dr. Kellard for being Chair and was impressed on how he runs meetings, she enjoys working with the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mr. Kowalski 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