WEST BOOK

Town of West Boylston

140 Worcester Street, West Boylston, Massachusetts 01583

The Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Date / Time / Location of Meeting

09-12-2018 / 6pm / Room 127

Members Present

Members NOT Present
Guests

Robert Barrell; Beverly Salate; Michaun Fowler; John Sullivan; N. Alan Harris

Welcome – Call to Order

Philip Leger; Chris McHale (Casella Waste); Rus Shamayer

Time: 6:01pm

Approval of Previous Minutes

August 2018 minutes were reviewed and signed

Motion Originator Motion Seconded Dr. Sullivan Ms. Salate

Result

Approved 4-0 (Dr. Harris abstained, absent from August

meeting) pending one correction on p 1, and signed.

Ms. Lee will make the correction.

NEW BUSINESS

Casella Waste By-law Violation

Discussion

Mr. Barrell provided background of the situation, describing Casella's repeated violations of the Dumpster by-law leading to a second fine this year and bringing this issue to the Board for consideration of revocation of Casella's permit to operate in the Town. Mr. Barrell noted that this has also been an issue in previous years. Mr. McHale apologized that this has happened again and stated he has cautioned his drivers that they should not be in West Boylston before 7am. As a result of this recent violation, his company's Human Resources and Legal Counsel developed a legal document the drivers are required to sign that stipulates they will be disciplined and potentially lose their jobs if they violate the by-law. He also stated he has stressed this to the supervisors and stated even substitute drivers will be informed and required to sign the form. Ms. Salate and Dr. Sullivan suggested they add that the driver be responsible for the fine. Mr. McHale said he will recommend this. Mr. Barrell stated that if there are any further violations, the Board will likely revoke Casella's permit, despite the inconvenience to the businesses who use them, noting that revoking the permit would be a hardship to businesses who would have to find another hauler. Ms. Lee reported that the fine has not yet been received; Mr. McHale stated he will follow up to make sure it is sent.

Results

If there is another violation, the Board determined it will meet to consider taking the steps needed to revoke Casella's permit to operate in West Boylston.

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Flu Clinic

Discussion

Ms. Salate reports a flu clinic for seniors only will be held at the Senior Center in October. The Town Employee Clinic will be held at the Middle High School on 10-18-18, 2pm to 4pm.

MONTHLY REPORTING

• CMRPHA Local Report

Discussion

- Mr. Leger reported 14 routine inspections, and one reinspection related to a complaint; five complaints were addressed. Relative to inspections: other than some minor issues, there were several issues addressed: thawing meat at room temperature, handling food without protection, missing allergen certification, sterilization data not being onsite, and evidence of rodent presence. Four housing complaints and one complaint of food poisoning were addressed, and will require follow-up.
- CMRPHA Regional Report

Discussion

- Mr. Leger reported that the threat of West Nile Virus continues with increasing number of human cases confirmed throughout the region; again, stagnant water is the main source of mosquito breeding. The newsletter lists workshops available for the Alliance. Also the Environmental Health team is considering a food inspection computer program for the new Food Code. He noted a MHOA Opioid Tool Kit available to all Boards of Health; Ms. Salate stated she will review it before the Substance Abuse committee meeting tomorrow. September is Emergency Preparedness month and the Board agreed this needs to be posted to the Board web-page.
- Bill approval & Financial report

Ms. Lee reported the Revolving Account Balance. She presented four invoices for payment approval.

Motion to Accept Dr. Harris
Seconded Ms. Salate

Result Approved unanimously

Office Report

Title 5 Projects 385 Lancaster – Building Dept. Cease & Desist order still in effect.

58 Prescott – no update. Title-5 inspection passed.

307 Lancaster – on hold till next year.

228 Lancaster – Title 5 – failed; Perc test 08-06-18 passed.

27 Malden - As-builts and CoC in process - Finlay.

9 Malden – No update on project

102 Lee - project completed, CoC issued.

73 Laurel – Title 5 passed 18 Tobin – Title 5 passed

216 Fairbanks – Title 5 passed

125 Malden – Title 5 w/ D-box repair, passed.

147 Fairbanks – New Title 5 received, passed.

371 Lancaster - Title 5 passed 26 Hosmer - Title 5 passed

81 Pine Arden Drive – plan sewer hook-up; contractor informed by DPW that application for septic abandonment required.

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Other/Miscellaneous - Board of Health webpage - updated announcements

Chase Harris – Title 5 filing fee not paid, 2 reminders sent

Permits/Fees - Barrows for Septage Hauler - waiting on insurance docs.

- 2019 Application paperwork reviewed with Abby. Plan is to start mailing in September.

 Ms. Lee will explore regulations relative to Offal (food grease) being included as part of permit for Septage hauling.

Plan is to start sending 2019 application packets soon.

No new violations from recent inspections

Tobacco Violation update

LBOH Count report - Received new report with date range noted.

OLD BUSINESS

• 301 Sterling Street Beaver Issue

Discussion

Mr. Barrell explained the situation, reporting the licensed trapper applied to the state for a 30 day extension, requesting more time for beaver removal. There is an onsite meeting planned with DCR and the MA Fish and Wildlife representative. Mr. Barrell asked Dr. Harris to visit the site with him to review the conditions in consideration of issuing another permit. Once they have toured the site they make a decision and report back to the Board. The Board is allowed to issue two more 10 day permits.

Results Tabled until more information is available

• Rooster - 95 Sterling Street

Discussion

Ms. Lee reports that the owners did not accept the certified letter sent to them and the complainant reports the rooster is still crowing. Mr. Barrell suggested contacting the Police Department to have the certified letter served.

• Substance Abuse Committee update

Discussion

Ms. Salate reports the next meeting is tomorrow. They will have an informational table at the Town Hall for the Town Clean-up event. She asked that the Board purchase a tablecloth with logo for events and presentations going forward. Ms. Lee will do some research with a local printing firm. The Committee has decided to begin educating the community

about vaping.

Recreational Marijuana update

Discussion

Mr. Shamayer asked if the Board was going to take a position on Recreational Marijuana shops in the town. He expressed his concerns about bringing this into the community and risk to the youth. Mr. Barrell informed him that the Board has decided to not take a position. Mr. Barrell informed him that the Board is represented on the related subcommittee and of the related warrants that will be addressed at the October Town Meeting.

Board of Health Regulations review

Discussion

Ms. Fowler organized the Regulations notebook, making a list of all documentation therein. The Board will revisit it at next meeting. Dr. Sullivan offered to review the Biomedical Research regulation and asked Ms. Lee to email it to him. Ms. Lee noted that some of the regulations in the notebook are not in our computer files, as they are older typed documents and need to be retyped as computer files so they can be downloaded to our

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webpage. The goal is to have all regulations up-to-date and available on our webpage.

 By-law for Non-commercial Farm animals

Discussion

Mr. Barrell reports he has been exploring By-laws in other MA municipalities. Members agreed this By-law will be developed as a Board. Mr. Barrell asked that Ms. Lee contact the Animal Control Officer, Steve Jones to request his attendance at the October Board meeting.

• PHEP Equipment relocation

Discussion

Mr. Barrell, Ms. Salate, and Dr. Harris did an initial inspection of PHEP materials in the Town Hall basement. Of the items found, out of date items were discarded, and it was decided that "GO" boxes stored there should be relocated at the Police or Fire Departments for easier access. Ms. Salate will contact the chiefs to discuss this.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

John Sullivan, MD

Motion Originator Ms. Fowler
Motion Seconded Ms. Salate
Result Approved 5-0

Time of Adjournment 7:36 pm

Signatures

Robert J. Barrell, MPA, Chairman

N. Alan Harris, MD, Vice Chairman

Beverly A. Salate, RN, BSN

Michaun Fowler, BSM

Submitted by: Margaret Lee
Date Submitted: 10-10-18

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