



BOH MEETING MINUTES 10-07-19

Attending

Joseph Tennyson, MD, Chair

Jim Griffin, Vice Chair

Robin Williams, Member

Also, in attendance: Interim Director John Garside, Clerk Tina Nolin, Assistant Sanitarian Rike Sterrett, Public Health Nurse Patty Moran

Meeting called to order 6:30 pm

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Minutes were tabled until next meeting

Unfinished Business and General Orders

• **Discussion and Vote on Interim Director**

Chairman Tennyson motioned to appoint John Garside as interim director while the search for a new director is conducted. Vice-Chair Griffin seconded the motion. Vote passed 3-0 in favor of the motion.

Related to the Director search the Board reviewed the employment advertisement and expressed their desire to be part of the selection process to interview applicants.

• **EEE Discussion**

After much discussion on the current EEE situation and the long-range weather forecasts for the rest of October. Member Williams motioned to put out a formal advisory out to the public via newspapers, the website and other venues, regarding how to protect themselves while trick-or-treating, including the time of dusk, wearing long pants and sleeves, and using bug repellent containing DEET if out after dusk. Vice-Chair Griffin seconded the motion, the vote was 3-0 in favor of the motion.

• **“Share Table” – Discussion for potential use in Marlborough Public Schools**

The City’s school lunch provider approached Interim Director Garside regarding having a Share Table at the school cafeterias. The *Share Table* is a place where students can place unopened food and drinks that they choose not to eat or drink. This provides an opportunity for other students to take additional helpings of food or beverages from the Share Table at no cost to them. No items from home, or partially eaten or unwrapped items, can be placed on the Share Table. This program is projected to help with food insecurity and to reduce food waste.

The Board expressed support for the Share Table concept so long as it functions within the Massachusetts Department as it functions with the Massachusetts Department of Education Guidelines and the Food Code. Member Williams expressed concerns about ensuring kids are not accidentally exposed to allergens at the Share Table and that protocols remain in place to screen students. The Board was in agreement with Member Williams’ allergy concerns.

Monthly Reports

• **Nurse’s Report**

Patty Moran, Public Health Nurse, presented her monthly report including her role in the School Community Outreach Clinic expansion now that the schools have received a large grant for expanding the clinic, the upcoming City and employee Flu Clinic on October 22nd and the Shingles Vaccine Clinic offered through Wegman’s the following day.

• **Sanitarians’ Reports**

Interim Director Garside presented the Sanitarians’ report which included “vaping ban” inspections and a fire that closed the “Flaming Wok.”

Site Plan and Special Permit Updates

- Interim Director Garside presented the East on Main Street project located at 175 Main Street, the Green District at 107 Simarano Drive, and Indo Laboratories at 257 Simarano Drive.

Unknown Business at Time of Posting

- Interim Director Garside reported that he would publish this week in the MetroWest News that the Board had passed Regulations concerning the operation of marijuana establishments at their September meeting.

ADJOURN

Motion – to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 PM – Member Williams, Second – Chairman Tennyson, Vote 3-0 to adjourn

The next Board of Health meeting will be on Monday, November 4, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,



D. Joseph Tennyson, Chairman

11/4/2019
Dated

Cc: Board of Health Members
City Council
City Clerk
City of Marlborough Website