

# **Board of Health Meeting Minutes**

## **November 3, 2011**

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Karen McManamon, and Ann McCobb. Ken Lefebvre was absent due to illness.

Rich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### **Approval of Bills**

The following bill was approved and signed:

Ann McCobb – reimbursement for renewal of Registered Sanitarian license \$66.00

### **Approval of Minutes**

**A motion was made by Rich Maccagnano and seconded by Karen McManamon to approve the 10/20/2011 minutes. All in favor.**

### **Health Director Report**

Flu clinic – The Board has scheduled their annual flu clinic for Saturday, 11/5/11 from 9:00am – 2:00pm at the Placentino Cafetorium. It is a walk-in clinic and open to all. It is being staffed by 10 nurse volunteers and 12 non-medical volunteers plus the office staff. Ann Adams and Lisa Deering are being paid from the inoculation revolving account. The Police Department is putting the flashing sign out to announce the clinic.

Publicity has been good from all areas except the print newspapers. Multiple requests were necessary to get them to publish the information.

Ann McCobb ordered a small sandwich platter from the Superette for the volunteers. We will also use a \$50 Dunkin Donuts gift card supplied by Region 4A for refreshments.

The remaining purchased vaccine will be used first since we get a greater reimbursement, then we will use the State supplied vaccine.

Ann stated that we may have an employee clinic at a later date.

Police Survey – Chief John Moore invited community stakeholders to a meeting on Thursday, 12/8/11 at 10:00am in the police training room to review and discuss the survey the Holliston Police Department sent out.

Health Fair – Leonard Morse is having a health fair on Saturday, 11/19/11. They are having a sharps collection, health screenings, styrofoam recycle collection and other activities.

Rich asked about fluorescent light bulbs and it was noted that they can be brought to Marshall Street or the True Value hardware store.

Beavers – Ann McCobb noted that it has been a busy season and that it is difficult to get an enforceable situation. Twice she has visited Marshall St and Great Meadow Rd, once with Conservation Agent Chuck Katuska. Ann said the conditions did not trigger criteria that allow the Board of Health to take emergency action.

As of 11/1 and through 4/15, anyone can hire a licensed trapper because it is open season. The Highway department is well aware of the situation and keeps the culvert open.

## **7:15 Mission Springs Public Hearing**

### **Variance request to Temperature Requirements 105 CMR 410.201**

Rich opened the hearing at 7:15pm. Ed Nunes, Mission Springs Board of Directors, was present. Rich stated that the Board of Health (BOH) and the Mission Springs Board are on the 'same page'. They both want to make the residents as comfortable as possible. The BOH wants to grant the variance while reserving the right to withdraw the variance if the BOH believes the public health of the residents is compromised. The motive is that the residents are comfortable. Ed said they are adding the ability to cool the common areas more easily and efficiently. Rich stated he is pleased that residents are allowed to have window air conditioning units without requiring a doctor's order and receiving help installing them.

Ann McCobb said there is no expiration date on the variance and there is a chance the State will address this issue but they have not yet. She stated that our contract nurse was at Mission Springs in June and reported to Ann concern over the extreme heat and dropping blood pressures in some residents.

Ed spoke to a HUD representative and they told him it is a local matter and it should be dealt with locally. He stated the Directors will notify the BOH when the switch in the heating system is made.

**Motion: Rich made a motion to grant the variance as written: A request from the Mission Springs Board of Directors for a variance from 105CMR 410.201 (Minimum Standard for Human Habitation) to allow the building to stop providing heat and begin providing air conditioning on or after June 1 of each year; with the change to add that the Board of Health can revoke the variance if they feel the public health is compromised. Seconded by Karen McManamon. All in favor. See attached.**

### **Health Director Report continued**

2016 Washington Street – Ann wanted to make the Board aware that applications have been submitted to the Planning and Zoning departments for a shared driveway for this address. This is not yet a BOH issue but as soon as a septic is applied for it will become one. Rich stated he is concerned about compromising the Zone 2 for Well #4. Each lot has been approved by Planning and now they need to have a common drive approved by Planning, scheduled for 11/10/11. Rich said he is not opposed to development but he is opposed to the location.

Vaccine Storage Inspection – Kim Grant of the State inspected the Board of Health and our vaccine handling on Wednesday, 11/2/11. The department met all the requirements except that we do not screen for insurance for vaccines for children. This should be incorporated into our screening for next year's flu season.

**Rich Maccagnano motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Karen McManamon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Lisa Deering**, Health Department Clerk

Approval Date: 11-17-11