



Public Meeting

Judge Welsh Meeting Room

Thursday
April 21, 2011
4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Laurie Delmolino, Joe DeMartino (arr 4:08p),
John Livingstone, Mark Phillips,
and Elizabeth Williams.

Members Absent: Ken Janson

Staff: Brian Carlson **Health Inspector**
Jane Evans **Health Agent**

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

AGENDA

Public Comments

There were none.

New Business

Jane gave the BoH the history of the market at the corner of Howland Street and Bradford. They had been granted a waiver of a grease trap since their food service didn't really require it with the stipulation that if their menu changed or their ownership changed – they would have to apply for the waiver once again. The only thing that has changed is the ownership; the chef is the same and the menu hasn't changed, thus the waiver for the grease trap was once again requested. (They are planning to connect to the sewer once it becomes available.)

Motion: Move to continue the grease trap waiver for the new owners.

Motion: John Livingstone Seconded: Betty Williams

Vote: 4-0-1 ab (JD)

Discussion

Board of Health Revised Regulations

Mark suggested that at the next BoH meeting we begin with a work session to review the revised regulations. The session will begin at **3:00 p.m on May 5th**.

Jane had been working on two different regs for smoking. One was to not allow smoking outside - period. The other one was to specify that establishments that have food service permits would not allow smoking in outdoor areas. (Bars don't have food service permits so they wouldn't be affected.)

This discussion spawned as many suggested regs as there were members. Joe, for example, suggested the phrase "without outdoor seating" and then someone else suggested "where one side joins the establishment" and the discussion went on.

Laurie then wondered - what is the rationale for not smoking outside – and do we want to make a policy about this? She's looked at studies that refer to smoking in open areas.

Mark would like to have a simple regulation and suggested "outdoor bar areas where the establishment does not have a food service permit."

Motion: Move to have the health department investigate scientific studies about the risk of smoking in outdoor areas. When John got flak from the Health Agent about putting a tremendous burden on the Health Department, he tried to withdraw the motion but as it had been properly seconded the BoH voted on it:

Motion: John Livingstone Seconded: Laurie Delmolino

Vote: 0 in favor-5 opposed-0 abstentions

Laurie then graciously volunteered to do the research regarding the above and report back to the Board. Thus the Board decided to defer amending the smoking regulations until Laurie gives her report.

Approval of Minutes for August 12, 2010, September 9, 2010, September 23, 2010, November 18, 2010 and March 17, 2011

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2010 minutes.

**Motion: Joe DeMartino Seconded: Mark Phillips
Vote: 3-0-2 ab (LD & EW)**

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2010 Executive Session.

**Motion: John Livingstone Seconded: Joe DeMartino
Vote: 3-0-2 ab (LD & EW)**

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the April 7th meeting.

Motion: Betty Williams Seconded: John Livingstone Vote: 5-0-0

Any other business that shall properly come before the Board

One of the members said to Jane that at the last meeting – you wanted personal information from all the members so that you could contact them in case of an emergency. Has this been done? Jane said no she still needed to send out the email.

John Livingstone wanted information on the employment of the part time position – to whom they would report, etc. Jane said the part time position was cut from the budget.

Health Agent's Report

Jane reported – as she had previously – that soon she would be having her surgery and she has made arrangements for one day/week office coverage. Her temporary replacements are all qualified to do any inspections and they're fully licensed. She will work from home when she is feeling up to it. Also, she may have Justin bring material up to her since he lives near her. She'll be back as soon as she can. She's asked Brian to do bedroom counts.

Mark asked who the 1 day/week person would be reporting to. Probably to Brian although Jane added that they will work independently on inspections etc.

Just a brief update on the Laundromat show cause hearing with the Water and Sewer Board. They were supposed to be heard on Monday night and it's been postponed until May 9th.

Health Inspector's Report

There's been a couple of dead raccoons found and ongoing surveillance is happening. The dead raccoons are being tested for rabies.

Brian will be going out to find locations for the signs regarding beach closings. Signs will be going up by the second weekend in June.

Brian was also asked about visiting tattoos artists and he said that he has some language to propose for a regulation which he will bring at the next meeting when regulations are discussed.

Board Members' Statements

There were none.

NEXT MEETING

MAY 5TH

3:00 P.M.

NOTE START TIME OF MTG

The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Evelyn Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by _____ on _____, 2011.
Mark Phillips, Chair