

## **BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES – September 6, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas McLaughlin, MD at the Town Managers Meeting Room at 7:00 P.M. Also in attendance were; Edmund Kowalski, Member; Dutrochet Djoko, Member; Judith Ryan, Public Health Nurse; and, Mark L. Carleo, Assistant Director of Public Health.

### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes of August 2, 2018.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**

#### **PERMITS AND LICENSING UPDATE**

Carleo informed the Board that since the last meeting, only a temporary food permit and a garbage, offal and offensive hauler permit was issued.

#### **NUISANCE REPORT**

Carleo summarized the nuisance investigations conducted since the last meeting. In total only 17 complaints were recorded.

#### **65 PURCHASE STREET**

Carleo informed the Board that the 65 Purchase Street case is closed after the dwelling was sold at auction for \$333,000.

#### **28 SCHOOL STREET**

Carleo summarized a complicated housing case that was initiated in September of 2017 which was recently re-opened. Last September an inspection was conducted in a dwelling with a newborn infant. Several violations of Chapter II of the Sanitary Code were noted along with violations of the lead law. An order to correct all violations was issued to the landlord. We met and reviewed what was required of him for compliance. Shortly after that meeting the landlord and tenants both discontinued correspondence with this office. Then, in September of 2018 the tenants contacted us seeking remedy of the same violations. He was able to get the landlord to contact us by re-issuing the orders by constable and threatening legal action. The landlord has agreed to provide the lead remediation, but I have low confidence that he will actually comply. Carleo will provide updates to the Board routinely.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES**

#### **NURSE'S REPORT**

Nurse Ryan reported to the Board that DanversCARES begins meeting again the following week. Carleo asked the Board if they would offer Lyle McDonald their support as he is now the acting Director for DanversCARES, and the Board offered their support.

Ryan continues to work on the infection control committee at Recovery Centers of America on Lindall Street. She is working with Cataldo Ambulance (new owner of Lyons) for CPR and 1<sup>st</sup> aid training. Additionally, she will be working at Operation Stand Down in Boston on September 7<sup>th</sup> to provide vaccination to veterans as part of a group of MA Public Health Nurses.

Flu clinics are being scheduled shortly. We will be working with Walgreens primarily this year. Dr. McLaughlin adamantly stated that nobody eligible and desiring a flu shot is to be turned away. Carleo, Djoko and Kowalski strongly agreed.

We expect about 50 doses from DPH to be provided. We will be using mutual aid agreements for regional clinics or assisting as needed in other communities.

## **DISEASE INVESTIGATIONS**

Nurse Ryan provided the Board with her disease investigations since the last meeting. In sum, she received and investigated 2 cases of campylobacter, 1 case of Hep C, 1 case of Legionella, one case of Human Granulocytic Anaplasmosis and received notice of 3 cases of Tuberculosis.

## **CANNABIS**

Carleo provided the Board with a press release from the Cannabis Control Commission announcing the “More about Marijuana” Campaign. The purpose of this campaign is to help promote discussion about the risks of underage use with kids. This is the first part of a multi-phased campaign by the Commonwealth which was required under Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017.

## **ANIMAL CARE**

### **ANIMAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

Carleo reported on the complaints relative to wildlife and nuisance animals since the last meeting. In sum 19 complaints regarding animals were made to the office. Wildlife calls were reduced since the early summer and spring.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **FOOD SAFETY FORUM**

Carleo informed the Board that earlier this day he helped organize and host a food safety forum for industry at the Topsfield Fairgrounds. The forum was for all establishments in Danvers, Middleton, Topsfield, Boxford and Newburyport. We had about 60 attendees which was great, and this included Board Member Kowalski, who was also the only person in the room able to identify the risk part of sushi; the rice. The purpose of the forum was to help establishments get and stay up to date on 2013 code requirements.

With no further business at hand, the Board adjourned at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted for your approval,

Mark L. Carleo  
Clerk for the Board of Health