

## **BOARD OF HEALTH** April 19, 2022

The meeting was in Room 9 of the Town hall and was called to order at 5:35 p.m. Present were Elizabeth Sabounjian, Dr. Jane Williams and Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health. Our next regularly scheduled meeting is on May 3, 2022.

The Minutes of February 7, 2022, February 15, 2022 and March 15, 2022 were tabled to May 3, 2022.

### **Department Business**

# 21 Ashwood Avenue, application for chickens

The Director presented the Board with the application for 6 chickens from the Capella's. The animal control officer gave a favorable recommendation. One neighbor anonymously called the Board of Health office to complain about the area that they live in getting chickens. No written comments or in person comments were made. Ms. Sabounjian reminded the applicant that the permit is not by right and reviewed annually. The applicant asked that the permit be for up to 8 chickens, knowing that maybe 1 or 2 chicks may not survive. Dr. Williams motioned to approve the application for up to 8 chickens, Ms. Sabounijan, seconded, voted 2-0.

## 15 Olney Avenue, release of 3 bedroom deed restriction

There is currently a 3 bedroom deed restriction recorded. This was done because of the size of the septic system. The homeowners have since replaced the septic system with a full compliance 4 bedroom system. Dr Williams motioned to remove the deed restriction, Ms. Sabounjian, seconded, voted 2-0.

#### 887 Woburn Street-discussion on clerical revision to the site assignment decision

The Director presented the Board with page 17 of the signed Site Assignment decision. There appears to be a administrative clerical error with #15. After much discussion the Board does not agree that this is a clerical error but rather a review error on the part of the applicant. Therefore the applicant would have to file for an appeal or motion for modification.

#### Coronavirus

Currently there are few cases in the last 4 days. The predominant strain is the BA2 variant. The Department will be offering home bound Covid boosters as well as a Senior Center vaccination clinic. The Director stated that there is a lot of reported influenza at this time.

Dr. Williams metioned to adjourn at 6:45 p.m., voted 2-0.

Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health