



BOARD OF HEALTH
February 15, 2022

The meeting was in Room 9 of the Town hall and was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were Elizabeth Sabounjian, Dr. Jane Williams and Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health. Our next regularly scheduled meeting is on March 1, 2022.

The Minutes of January 18, 2022 will be tabled to the March 1, 2022 meeting.

The Board reviewed the most recent food inspection reports.

Department Business

27 Auburn Avenue, continued hearing application for 6 chickens

The applicant submitted additional information that was requested by the Board members at the previous meeting. The Director and the Animal Control Inspector reviewed all the supporting documentation and gave a favorable recommendation. A picture of the coop was provided. A detailed description of the shed and plans to fence the bottom of both the shed and coop from predators was provided. Dr. Williams motioned to approve the application for 6 chickens, Ms. Sabounjian seconded, voted 2-0.

Tobacco Control Program update

The Director informed the Board that Ian Worstell conducted youth compliance checks in Wilmington. 3 establishments sold tobacco to minors. A-1 Prime, Rt 38 Smoke Shop and QuickMart. Each establishment was fined \$1000 per the new State regulation. A follow up check will be conducted in the coming months.

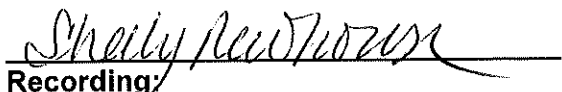
Coronavirus

Currently there are 4 active positives in the last 5 days. The municipal building mask order was lifted on February 14, 2022 by the Town Manager. There is a regional PCR testing site at the Shriners at 99 Fordham Road. It will operate daily from 8:30 – 5:30 and is free of charge.

Wildwood Street School

The Chairman brought up the conditions at the Wildwood Street School as several inquiries were made to her regarding the School. The Director has received many written concerns over the condition of the School. The Director conducted a site visit on February 15, 2022 and walked the building with the Principal. While unsightly, there were no imminent safety or health hazards that would directly affect the staff or students. Many of the concerns reported were fixed by Public Buildings. These included replacement of floor tiles, fixing of a roof leak from all the rain and snow, repair of some holes in closet ceilings from a broken pipe. A basic air quality test was conducted in the previous week and showed no deficiencies. The building is at its end of life, and it is showing. A joint statement from the School Department, Health Department, Town Manager and Public Buildings will be issued regarding the state of the building reinforcing that although unsightly at times there is no immediate health and safety issues.

Dr. Williams motioned to adjourn at 6:10 p.m., voted 2-0.



Recording
Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health