

BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES October 18, 2016

The Board of Health held a meeting in Room 9 at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA. The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. Present were Elizabeth Sabounjian, Dr. Daniel King and Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health. The next regularly scheduled Board of Health meeting will be November 1, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in Room 9 at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA.

The Board reviewed and approved the October 4, 2016 minutes.

13 Broad Street-keeping animals without a permit

Gretchen Fielding, 13 Broad Street was found to be keeping 2 pot belly pigs and 6 babies, 2 goats, 20 chickens and 5 ducks without a permit. Neighbors called the Board of Health office to complain about noise. Animal Control Officer, Chris Sullivan visited the property and told Ms. Fielding that pigs were not allowed under the Board of Health regulation 7.3. SHE would also need to come into the office and apply for a permit for the other animals. Ms. Fielding was present and had her application for an animal permit to present to the Board which included 2 pot belly pigs. Ms. Sabounjian stated that there is historic reasons why the Board of Health adopted regulations to prohibit pigs, therefore the Board simply just does not allow them. Dr. King had 2 issues with the application, a plan needs to be provided showing all coops, barns and runs and the other issue was the pigs. Ms. Sabounjian asked that Gretchen come forward and draw out her lot and locations of all coops, barns and runs. Ms. Sabounjian asked about manure and Ms. Fielding stated that the manure is brought to a farm in Danville NH about once a week. All abutting residents were notified of the meeting, no one was in attendance and no comments were submitted. Ms. Fielding was reminded that animal permits are discretionary and renewed on a yearly basis. Dr. King motioned to accept the animal application for all animals except the pigs, Ms. Sabounjian, seconded, voted 2-0. The Board gave Ms. Fielding a month to get rid of the 2 adult pigs. They asked the Director to make sure the animal control officer visit the resident to confirm the pigs are gone.

Quickmart, 206 Ballardvale floor plan

A retail food store floor plan was presented to the Board for approval. They will be selling retail food, tobacco and lottery. Ms. Sabounjian reminded the applicant the minimum age to buy tobacco products is 21. Dr. King, motioned to approve the floor plan, Ms. Sabounjian, seconded, voted 2-0.

Surface Transportation Board public meeting

This is a reminder of the public meeting on October 25, 2016; 5:30-8:00 p.m. at Wilmington Middle School, 25 Carter Lane. This meeting will allow the public to participate in the EIS (Environmental Impact Study) scoping process for the New England Transrail proposed project at the Olin Corporation, 51 Eames Street. Because this project has the potential to result in significant environmental impacts to the site.

Dr. King, motioned to adjourn at 6:15 p.m., Ms. Sabounjian, seconded.

Recording: Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health