

# BOARD OF HEALTH January 18, 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. Dan King and Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health. Our next regularly scheduled meeting is on February 7, 2022 for the Site Assignment public hearing for the proposed solid waste transfer facility at 887 Woburn Street.

The Minutes of January 4, 2022 were reviewed and approved.

The Board reviewed the most recent food inspection reports.

## **Department Business**

## 27 Auburn Avenue, application for 6 chickens

The Director presented the Board with the application for 6 chickens from Leah Harmeling. The animal control officer gave a favorable recommendation. Paul McMullen from 15 Ferguson Road was present. He had concerns about a family of foxes that live under the deck every year. He wanted to make sure the new homeowners knew of this. He also had concerns that the coop and run should be fenced in. Dr. King asked to table this to the next meeting so that the Director can get more information from the animal inspector and the homeowners.

## 887 Woburn Street, solid waste transfer facility procedural update

The Director informed the Board that the hearing notice for February 7, 2022 has been published in the local paper and it is on the website with supporting documentation. The applicant has also sent the required notices to the list established in the MGL. c. 111, §§150A and 150A1/2. The hearing will be televised on WCTV and recorded.

#### Coronavirus

Currently there are 203 active positives in the last 5 days. We are seeing a small decrease in the number of cases, as is the rest of the Northeast region. The Director ordered home test kits for essential workers and homebound residents. We are expecting them this week. Booster clinics and primary vaccination clinics are being offered with the next one scheduled on January 24<sup>th</sup> and February 7, 2022. The Department will continue to promote vaccinations as the most important way to reduce Covid symptoms.

L	Jr.	King	motioned	to adjo	ourn at	6:15 p	.m., vo	ted 2-0.

Recording:
Shelly Newhouse, Director of Public Health