

In attendance: Don Bates, Chairman; John Donohue Jr., Member; Susan Shaw, Member; Public Health Nurse, Anne Marie Fleming and Agent, Robert Davis

Visitors: Kimberly Bergeron, 15 Old Wood Road, N.A.

Mr. Bates opened the meeting at 6:31 PM.

LICENSES:

Kimberly Bergeron appeared in support of her request for a manicurist's license and answered the Members questions.

MOTION made by Ms. Shaw to grant a manicurist license to Kimberly Bergeron of 15 Old Wood Road, North Attleboro, she does not have a work location at the present time. Mr. Donohue seconded. No further discussion on the application, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

In a related discussion, the Members discussed the value in requiring certain licensure applicants like manicurists to appear before the Board. Mr. Donohue questioned the need to attend if the members really don't have any questions for the individuals but the Chairman asked that the Board withhold a decision to do so this evening, and revisit it at another time.

MINUTES:

The Chairman asked that the license section of the August 27, 2007 minutes be clarified further, and Mr. Davis agreed to submit a possible revision to Mr. Bates for approval.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to accept the minutes of August 27, 2007 pending the Chairman's approval of a revision to the licensing section. Ms. Shaw seconded. Some discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

HEALTH NURSE'S MONTHLY REPORT:

Anne Marie Fleming presented her monthly nurse's report and answered the Member's questions. Initially, the group discussed the need for more food in the pantry because of the increase of people in need using the pantry. Next, Ms. Fleming updated the Board on the Medical Reserve Corp. reporting that she has been attending ongoing meetings and that volunteer applications have been coming in. Anne Marie also told the Board about the MRC Coordinator who is now on board and working to obtain grants to support its development.

The Chairman asked Ms. Fleming what position she felt was most needed in the department at this time, if she had the opportunity to choose only one? Ms. Fleming told the Members that a Human Services position is the one most needed to be filled in the Town today. The group discussed how, unlike in other cities and towns, no such position exists in North Attleborough with such responsibilities falling largely upon the public health nurse to meet. In addition to the specialized nature of professional human services, the needs of the Town's citizenry and the volume of work associated with meeting them have grown tremendously, increasing the burden on the public health nurse to provide them.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to accept the Health Nurse's Monthly Report for August 2007. Ms. Shaw seconded. Some discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

LICENSE:

With brief discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Mr. Donohue to grant a Hairdressing Establishment license to Trade Secret at the Emerald Square Mall. Ms. Shaw seconded. No further discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

Another letter has been sent to John Grimaldi advising him of his responsibility to pay John Lavin's bill for services rendered with respect to the Chauncey Village project.

Members discussed the Planning Board's upcoming agenda, particularly with respect to its consideration of Hickory Woods issues.

Members were asked if there was any interest in attending upcoming Finance Committee meeting as they considered any of the town meeting articles being requested.

CHRISTINA ESTATES:

Dan Ottenheimer of Mill River Consulting called Mr. Robert Davis recently to follow up on the Hickory Woods situation and ask if there was anything further he could do to assist the Board. Both discussed outdated perc tests in Christina Estates and Mr. Ottenheimer suggested there may be an applicable "thirty day rule" from the time of submission to approval found within the first sections of the Title V regulations, although he did not know a specific cite he could remember. In discussion, the Members suggested that the Christina Estates engineers may have signed off on the requisite perc test forms three or four years after the fact. Mr. Davis was asked to check further into the Title V regs as Mr. Ottenheimer suggested, as well as the dates on the perc tests submitted.

HICKORY WOODS:

Town Administrator, Mark Fisher has begun calling the department heads of the Fire, Police, Building, Health and other departments every two weeks to discuss both Hickory Woods and 967 Longview Drive in an effort to move towards coordinated solutions in both cases. Mr. Fisher also plans to speak with Town Counsel about how the Town can utilize its Department of Public Works to clean up the property at 967 Longview Drive if the owner can't be found and forced to do so.

FOOD SERVICE MANAGERS:

Mr. Davis reported that only three establishments hadn't responded to the Department's requests for current Food Manager's Certificates. After visiting the establishments, two almost immediately signed up employees for the course. The third was still non-compliant claiming it couldn't get the company holding the training programs to fax a confirmation of her course reservation.

NON-CRIM TICKETING:

Mr. Davis stated that with the possibility of Non-Criminal Ticketing in place, some non-compliant offenders are beginning to respond to the Department's requests for action.

SMART GROWTH:

Ms. Shaw informed the Members of an upcoming building program to be held in the Seaport World Trade Center, Boston that will be having seminars on low impact development in Massachusetts.

BUSINESS PLAN:

Mr. Bates discussed having the Board establish a list of priorities for the work schedule of Department. In discussion, Mr. Bates suggested that the Members may not be doing their jobs if they fail to provide Mr. Davis with reasonable guidance and direction of what is important to the Board. Mr. Bates asked that each of the Members write down their own list of top ten items for the Department's direction and discuss them at the next meeting.

COMPLAINT LOG:

The Board reviewed the entries in the active complaint log and discussed those of particular interest or importance, including:

23 Sumner Street

Mr. Davis has sent a letter to the owner Mr. Billings who is selling the property to remind him of the need to have the new owner correct the violations found in its Order to Correct.

180 Commonwealth Avenue

The septic system upgrade at this property is underway and nearly complete.

11 Summer Street

Apparently, this owner was failed to appear in court for a September show cause hearing, and the case has been continued until October 3, 2007.

55 Moran Street

This cesspool was supposed to be pumped monthly while awaiting an upgrade, but there is no record of it being pumped in the month of August. Another notice will be sent to the owner repeating the Order to Correct and cautioning that fines could be implemented if the interim pumping is not conducted.

VFW Hall, 50 Jefferson St.

Mr. Davis has asked the VFW management to submit the club's bylaws that proscribe its practices and verify that the VFW operates as a bona fide private club (membership association) under the smokefree workplace law. If the club can demonstrate that it is indeed private and that it strictly operates that way, it will be allowed to continue smoking in the establishment.

NEW BUSINESS:Meetings

The October Board meetings will be October 15 and October 29, 2007, ay 6:30 PM at the North Attleboro Electric Department.

Annual Report

The Chairman would like to see the Board of Health's section of the Town's annual report spruced up.

ADJOURN:

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. Seconded by Ms. Shaw. No discussion, motion passes 3-0.