

NORTH ATTLEBORO BOARD OF HEALTH

Meeting Minutes of
June 9, 2009 6:00 pm

In attendance: Don Bates, Chairman; John Donohue Jr., Jonathan Maslen, Members; Public Health Nurse, Anne Marie Fleming; Agents: Rob Casper and Robert Davis

Visitors: Tim & Karen Stasium of 25 Lewis Road; Irene Giagkas and Jane Dacosta

Chairman Don Bates opened the meeting at 6:00 PM.

LICENSES:

Jane Dacosta came before the Members to answer questions regarding her application for a Retail Food & Mobile Food licenses for Kidz Wurd.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to grant a Retail Food & Mobile Food license for Kidz Wurd at 11 Robert Toner Boulevard contingent upon passing the Health Agent's inspection. Seconded: Mr. Maslen. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to grant a Temporary Food license to the Greater Attleboro Relay for Life on June 12th and 13th, 2009 at the North Attleboro High School track. Seconded: Mr. Maslen. No discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

TITLE V WAIVER, 25 LEWIS ROAD:

Tim and Karen Stasium of 25 Lewis Road came before the Members requesting a wavier for a failed Title V Inspection Report by Soares Enterprises on May 19, 2009. The homeowners are selling their house and had another Title V Inspection Report done by Tony Caponigro that passed on June 2, 2009, but because it had previously failed, Mr. Caponigro couldn't submit his passing inspection report to the Board of Health. Rob Casper reviewed both reports and noted some of the discrepancies between the two reports, including mention in the first report of discharge ponding which was not found in the second report fourteen days later.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to grant the waiver of the first Title V Inspection by Mr. Soares that failed and allow the recording of the second Title V Inspection done by Mr. Caponigro that passed on June 2, 2009. After full discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Mr. Donohue to accept the minutes of May 19, 2009 as written. Seconded: Mr. Maslen. No discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

HEALTH NURSE'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR MAY 2009:

Health Nurse Anne Marie Fleming presented her report to the Members and answered the Members questions.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to accept the Health Nurse's Monthly Report for May 2009. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

EMERGENCY DISPENSING SITE TRAINING:

On June 25th between 10:30AM and 12:30 PM, Ms. Fleming and Mr. Davis will be hosting a group of Coalition members from other Bristol County cities and towns for a walk-through of the Town's Emergency Dispensing Site at the High School. Coalition members will be invited to walk through the North Attleboro site and ask questions about our Health Department's experience running two of its annual flu clinics there to better understand how they might be able to do the same in their own city or town. In the discussion that followed, Ms. Fleming noted that a tentative date to hold a third exercise of the Town's Emergency Dispensing Site and Annual Flu Clinic has been scheduled for November 14, 2009 with Principal Bob Gay.

ESTABLISHING THE MASSACHUSETTS CHILDHOOD VACCINES PROGRAM AND THE MASSACHUSETTS IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY:

Public Health Nurse, Anne Marie Fleming asked each of the Members to send a letter of support for the Massachusetts Immunization Registry for the Childhood Vaccines Program to Senator Scott Brown and State Representative Betty Poirier. The proposed legislation will establish a "Vaccine Purchase Trust Fund" which creates a permanent solution for state funding of the immunization program throughout the state.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to send a letter of support to Senator Scott Brown, State Representative Betty Poirier and the Committee of Health Care Finances. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

HEALTH AGENT'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR MAY 2009:

Health Agent Rob Casper presented his report to the Board and answered the Members questions.

MOTION made by Mr. Maslen to accept the Health Agent's Monthly Report for May 2009. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. After discussion, all in favor, motion passes 3-0.

Discussion ensued about a recent Boston Globe article to raise awareness of school cafeteria inspections. Mr. Casper noted that he usually does North Attleboro's school inspections in the fall and Mr. Donohue noted that, as the previous Food Service Manager for the North Attleboro Schools, the Town's cafeterias always met or exceeded the sanitary code requirements in the past.

H1N1 (SWINE FLU):

The Members discussed the cases of H1N1 influenza that continue to grow across the country. There is still no vaccine for this strain of flu, but efforts continue worldwide to create one and increase the general protection against it going forward.

FY10 BUDGET:

Mr. Davis has submitted yet another version of an FY10 budget for the Board of Health and Public Health Nurse to the Town Administrator at his request. Mr. Fisher is hoping that all the unions of the town will agree to take a one hour per week furlough to assist with the latest budget shortfall and obviate the need for the additional 1.58% reduction just submitted. Until the State's own budget is set, cities and towns can only estimate what their budgets must be for FY10.

LICENSES:

No motion was taken for a change-of-ownership Retail Food license for Airport Golf located at 582 Kelley Boulevard as no one made an appearance from that business.

COMPLAINT LOG:

468 Old Post Road

Mr. Davis needs to do a final inspection at 468 Old Post Road and then close the complaint.

208 Park Street

The manager at 208 Park Street has had scheduling problems with the tenants, but will be ready for an inspection on Wednesday.

117 N. Washington Street

The owner of 117 N. Washington Street has not cleaned up the trash and will be fined \$300.

132 N. Washington Street

Very little has been done to correct the violations at 132 N. Washington Street so a fine will be issued.

65 Fisher Street

The owner of 65 Fisher Street has been granted a hearing with the Board on June 25th.

95 Broad Street

There is a crew working at 95 Broad Street to correct the violations.

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The owner of 65 Broad Street has been granted a hearing with the Board on June 25th.

145 Broad Street

The owner of 145 Broad Street is working to correct the violations.

Robert Davis and Don Bates will attend Taunton District Court when Michael and Trent Davis appear before the Clerk Magistrate on June 10th.

Mr. Davis reported 5½ more complaints are outstanding and in need of completion that have come into the office and been added to the Complaint Log since last Friday.

PUBLIC HEALTH RESIDENCIES:

Mr. Davis reported that there the Department has not had a match for a graduate resident this summer from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health program, but that Public Health Nurse Anne Marie Fleming has accepted a Simmons College nursing student to work with her this summer under a Community Nursing Residency Program. Ms. Fleming will have student nurse and North Attleboro resident Jennifer Alam attend an up-coming Board meeting soon.

FLOOR DRAINS:

Mr. Davis and Mr. Bates will be meeting with Town Planner Mary Burgess and Planning Board Chairman Dick Houle to discuss floor drains and other issues.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, a **MOTION** was made by Mr. Maslen to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 PM. Seconded: Mr. Donohue. No further discussion, motion passes 3-0.