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Board of Health Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 12, 2012 Ground Floor Conference Room Arlington Senior Center 5:30pm

Board Members in Attendance: Dr. Marie Walsh Condon, Mr. Gregory Leonardos and Dr. Michael Fitzpatrick (Chair) Staff in Attendance: Christine Connolly, Director of Health and Human Services and James Feeney, Health Compliance Officers

Public in attendance: Abenet Desta, Wan Al Desta, Janet Westerhoff, Mustafa Varoglu, Michael Rademacher

The meeting minutes for the June 6, 2012 were accepted as amended.

HEARING: Family Injera, Wan Al Desta, co-owner present for hearing. Inspector Feeney reported to the Board that at the June hearing, the Board heard the case regarding the need for a grease trap on the 3-bay sink. At that time the Board voted to require that three quotes to install a grease trap be submitted to the office from plumbers within 30 days. Mr. Desta stated that he spoke with plumbers and the cost to install the grease trap is too high and asked that he not be required to install. The Board voted unanimously to require Family Injera to submit a contract with a plumber that will install the grease trap and within 90 days submit proof of installation of grease trap.

HEARING: Permit to keep hens, Westerhoff and Varoglu, 26 Shawnee Road. Inspector Feeney reported that the applicants currently hold a temporary permit to keep hens. Inspector Feeney reported that applicants have submitted all of the appropriate documentation and during inspection, hens appeared to be healthy. The Board voted unanimously to approve the application.

HEARING: Permit to keep hens, Rademacher, 25 Bellevue Road. Inspector Feeney reported that the application contained all necessary information. Once approved, applicant will begin construction of coop. All neighbors have been notified and have signed off on application. The Board voted unanimously to approve the application.

HEARING: Arlington Restaurant and Diner, owner present. Inspector Feeney presented summary reports of all inspections conducted. Inspector Feeney reported that the same violations continue to be documented during inspections and re-inspections

of the establishment. Inspector Feeney reported that there have been 2 administrative hearings with the Lead Inspector, each time, the owner was required to hire a consultant to train staff and assist with compliance and to perform audit inspections to also assist with compliance. Owner Desta stated that the problem is not the restaurant it is the inspector and that he has been in the restaurant business for 30 years. The Board voted to impose a one-day suspension of the permit to operate, date to be determined and a mandate to hire a serve safe consultant for 90-days to be approved by the Health Department.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: Christine Connolly reported that a letter was received by resident Jennifer Griffith regarding coal tar products. A letter was also received from the Department of Public Works reporting that black top products used on Town of Arlington property do not contain coal tar.

Discussion: Tobacco Control Regulations: Draft regulations were prepared by DJ Wilson from MMA and submitted for review. The Board voted to table this matter until the next meeting.

Environmental Updates: Inspector Feeney reported that the Department of Environmental Protection continues to seek a potentially responsible party for the PCE contamination in the 870 Mass Ave area. Inspector Feeney also reported that there have been a number of pest complaints from residents at 17 Mill Street and inspectors have been logging in calls and working with the owner to abate.

Restaurant Updates: Inspector Feeney reported that there are currently 2 plan review applications in the queue, a kitchen facility at the new Symmes site assisted living facility and Dunkin Donuts on Broadway. Additionally, Feeney reported that Punjabi Tadka has opened and there are many food vendors that will be inspected on Town Day.

Meeting adjourned 7pm