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Board of Health Minutes 06-25-2002

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday June 25, 2002

3:00 p.m., Fox Community Center

Board Members in Attendance: Dr. Carole Allen (Chair), Mr. Gregory Leonardos, Mr. Mark Fingerle

Staff in Attendance: Denise Boucher (Tobacco Health Compliance Officer), Joseph Carabello (Health Compliance Officer), Christine Connolly (Health Compliance Officer), Marie Walsh (Director of Public Health)

- I. Minutes of April 24, 2002 meeting accepted as written.
- II. Marie Walsh presented a draft of the regulations that the Massage Therapy and Bodywork Regulations Review Committee updated. A public hearing will be scheduled to adopt the regulations.
- III. Denise Boucher presented the results of the latest check for compliance with **Rules and Regulations Restricting Smoking and Distribution of Tobacco and Tobacco Products Within the Town of Arlington**. The following stores sold tobacco products to a minor: B&G Variety, CVS Pharmacy (23 Massachusetts Avenue), CVS Pharmacy (319 Broadway), Galaxy Food Market, Maida Pharmacy, Yerevan Grocery, Mass Ave Getty, and Broadway Market. Since the compliance check was performed on Friday June 21, the violation hearings will be conducted at the next Board of Health meeting. Ms. Boucher also discussed her research in updating the existing tobacco regulations and will report further research at the next meeting.
- IV. Christine Connolly presented information regarding incentive programs for food establishments to correct violations of the Food Code. Ms. Connolly will prepare a proposal for the next meeting.
- V. Ms. Connolly introduced Sally Loh, owner of New Asia, and explained that in the past six months this office has received three justified complaints regarding unsanitary conditions the establishment. Ms. Loh stated that she has hired new staff and will adhere to the Food Code, 105 CMR 590.000 and the advice of Ms. Connolly.
- VI. Samir Isweis of Sabatino's Italian Kitchen requested a variance from the Food Code, 105 CMR 590.000, to store pizza and calzone on his counter for a period of not more than two hours during lunch and dinner. The Board voted unanimously to grant the variance as long as the pizza and calzone do not contain uncured meat.
- VII. Marie Walsh reported that educational efforts for prevention of mosquito borne illness is underway and that preventive treatments of catch basins in town has begun.
- VIII. Ms. Walsh presented information on student backpack safety.
- IX. Next Meeting: July 31, 2002 at 7:00 p.m.