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APPROVED
Board of Health Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 19, 2013
Ground Floor Conference Room
Arlington Senior Center
5:30pm

Board Members in Attendance: Dr. Marie Walsh Condon, Mr. Kenneth Kohlberg

Absent: Dr. Michael Fitzpatrick

Staff in Attendance: Christine Connolly, Director of Health and Human Services, James Feeney, Health Compliance Officer, Mark Waksmonski, COA Geriatric Nurse Practitioner and Health Compliance Officer, Emily Cohn, Intern

Absent: Natasha Waden, Lead Health Compliance Officer

Others: Wesley Chin, Five Community Collaborative Tobacco Program, Lynn Knight, Laura Vandermill, R. Talameh, Max Beverly,
Xuefeng Wang, Jessica VanGoeler

Recording Secretary: Laura Munsey, Health & Human Services Administrative Assistant

Meeting called to order by Dr. Marie Walsh Condon at 5:30 pm.

A Motion was made by Dr. Marie Walsh Condon, which was seconded by Mr. Kenneth Kohlberg to accept the May 15, 2013 Board of Health Meeting Minutes as Amended.

Vote: Approved (Unanimous)

Hearing to Adopt: Regulation Prohibiting Smoking in Work and Public Places.

Mr. James Feeney provided a brief overview of the Regulation, and discussed additional language that has been incorporated following public input meetings. A member of the Public, Ms. Lynn Knight spoke in favor of the regulation, and expressed interest in expanding the 15' buffer zone. Mr. Wesley Chin of the Five Community Collaborative Tobacco Program shared information regarding buffer zones in other communities that have adopted similar Regulations. One e-mail correspondence was received from Susan Ruderman in support of the proposed Regulation.

Ms. Christine Connolly recommended the Regulation go into effect January 1, 2014.

A Motion was made by Mr. Kenneth Kohlberg, which was seconded by Dr. Marie Walsh Condon to Approve Regulations Prohibiting Smoking in Workplaces and Public Places, which shall go into effect January 1, 2014.

Vote: Approved (Unanimous)

Hearing to Adopt: Regulations Governing the Practice of Bodywork

Mr. James Feeney provided a brief overview of the Regulation, and discussed removal of language following public input meetings. A member of the Public, Ms. Lynn Knight, requested clarification on Energy Healers and others providing Bodywork type services. Mr. James Feeney and Mr. Kenneth Kohlberg provided clarification.

Ms. Christine Connolly recommended the Regulation go into effect November 1, 2013.

A Motion was made by Mr. Kenneth Kohlberg, which was seconded by Dr. Marie Walsh Condon to Approve Regulations Governing the Practice of Bodywork (as amended), which shall go into effect November 1, 2013.

Vote: Approved (Unanimous)

Hearing: Keeping of Hens Site Plan Review Application, 266 Park Avenue

Mr. James Feeney distributed to the Board a picture of the on-site coop, and provided a summary of the submitted application. He further informed the Board the applicant had met all requirements of the Town of Arlington By-Law and recommended approval of allowing a permit for up to 3 hens. Mr. Xuefeng Wang spoke in favor of his permit request, and shared with the Board how this permit request was the direct result of a school science project.

A Motion was made by Mr. Kenneth Kohlberg, which was seconded by Dr. Marie Walsh Condon to Approve the Keeping of Hens Application for the Applicant at 266 Park Avenue.

Environmental Updates

Ms. Christine Connolly informed the Board that "Sample" Regulations for the Restriction of Sale of Marijuana are available, and will be provided to the Board for Review at the September Meeting.

Mr. James Feeney informed the Board that the Massachusetts Department of Public Health has completed two water quality tests

at Spy Pond and test results for cyano bacteria and its associated toxins yielded a near non-detectable level.

Restaurant Updates

Mr. Feeney informed the Board:

Plan Reviews have been received for:

Great Wok (change of ownership)

Retro Burger (new establishment)

Sono Japanese Cuisine

Pre-operational Inspections

Yummy's

Whole Foods

Menotomy Grill and Tavern has received a permit, and is open for business.

Public Comment

No Public Comment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Next Scheduled Meeting: September 11, 2013