

March 24, 2015

Meeting Opened: 7:30 P.M., Room 112, Town Hall  
Members Present: William Morris, Chairman; Carol Johnson, Clerk; Richard Bringhurst; Richard Beauregard; Mona Bissany  
Others Present: Matthew Ferraro; Matthew Ferraro, Jr. – Animal Permit  
Dr. Lester Hartman; Ken Farstein; Sarah McColgan – Tobacco 21

**MOTION:** made by Richard Bringhurst that the Board of Health approve the minutes of the March 10, 2015 meeting as written. Seconded by Mona Bissany. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Animal Permit – 4 Treeland Drive:

**Documents/Exhibits – Animal permit application (on file Health Department)**

The Board of Health reviewed the Animal Permit application to house six or less chickens at 4 Treeland Drive.

**MOTION:** made by Carol Johnson that the Board of Health approves Matthew Ferraro's animal permit application to house six or less chickens at 4 Treeland Drive. Seconded by Mona Bissany. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Tobacco 21 Presentation – Dr. Lester Hartman:

**Documents/Exhibits – Tobacco 21- Healthy Towns Healthy Kids; Institute of Medicine-Public Health Implications of Raising the Minimum Age of Legal Access to Tobacco Products; 3/23/15 Ltr. Joshua Greenberg, Shari Nethersole, MD – Boston Children's Hospital; Public Health Policy Briefs-Retail Impact of Raising Tobacco Sales Age to 21 Years.**

Dr. Hartman and colleague Ken Farstein addressed the Board of Health about the potential public health benefits of preventing or delaying the use of tobacco products by adolescents by increasing the tobacco purchase age to 21. Dr. Hartman referenced research data published in the March 2015 Institute of Medicine publication, Public Health Implications of Raising the Minimum Age of Legal Access to Tobacco Products. Dr. Hartman said that an important tool in prevention is social distancing and that a purchase age of 21 will establish that. Dr. Hartman said that another concern is flavored cigars, cigarillos and chewing tobaccos, and they are packaged and marketed to attract young consumers and relatively inexpensive to purchase. Sarah McColgan, MHOA Tobacco Control Director, said that some communities have mandated minimum pricing for these types products making them too expensive for young people to afford and that that strategy has been effective. Ms. McColgan said that the Board of Health may want to consider addressing access to e-cigarettes as part of any amended tobacco regulations as well. The Health Director recommended reviewing, consolidating and updating the Board of Health's current tobacco regulations. William Morris asked that amended regulations be drafted for the Board to review at its April 28, 2015 meeting, so that a Public Hearing may be scheduled for the May 12, 2015 meeting in order to obtain public comment on the matter, followed by a potential vote to approve at the May 26, 2015 meeting.

Site Plan Approval Refiling – 623 Boston Providence Highway:

**Documents/Exhibits – Refile Site Plan Approval (on file Planning Board); Deputy Health Agent’s summary.**

The Board of Health reviewed for comment the Revised Site Plan Approval – 623 Boston Providence Highway, Dedham Auto Mall, to extend paved areas in two locations, one area at the rear of the building would be over an existing septic system.

**MOTION:** made by William Morris that the Board of Health reiterates comments made at its September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting to the Planning Board, that the Board is concerned about paving over an existing septic system and would want to know the precise location and components of that system and that those components can support the proposed resurfacing. If the existing system does in fact meet Title V standards then the Board of Health requires that a vent or manhole cover to grade is installed to vent the system. Seconded by Carol Johnson. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Site Plan Approval/Special Permit – 400 South Street, Southridge Farm:

**Documents/Exhibits – Site Plan Approval/Special Permit (on file Planning Board); Deputy Health Agent’s summary.**

The Board of Health reviewed for comment the Site Plan Approval – 400 South Street, to construct a two story 14,185 square foot building for retail, office and warehouse space, with associated parking and utilities. A portion of the project is located within the 100 foot buffer zone of vegetate wetlands.

**MOTION:** made by Carol Johnson that the Health Board has no specific concerns or comments at this time regarding the Site Plan Approval/Special Permit – Southridge Farm, 400 South Street. Seconded by Mona Bissany. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Notice of Intent – 20 Coney Street:

**Documents/Exhibits – Notice of Intent (on file Conservation Commission); Deputy Health agent’s summary.**

The Board of Health reviewed for comment the Notice of Intent – 20 Coney Street, to construct an addition and deck to an existing single family home. A portion of the work will be within the 100 foot buffer zone.

**MOTION:** made by Richard Beauregard that the Board of Health comments to the Conservation Commission regarding the Notice of Intent – 20 Coney Street are that as a standard practice the Board does not support the idea of building within the 100 buffer zone. Other than that there are no other objections to the plan. Seconded by Mona Bissany. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Revised Notice of Intent – End of Eastover Road:

**Documents/Exhibits – Notice of Intent (on file Conservation Commission); Deputy Health agent’s summary.**

The Board of Health reviewed for comment the Revised Notice of Intent – End of Eastover Road, which at the request of the Conservation Commission was revised to include the removal of existing culverts and replacing them with box culverts in order to protect the wetlands. Sidewalks with handicap ramps, street lighting and a fenced dumpster area have also been included on the revised plan.

**MOTION:** made by Carol Johnson that the Health Board’s comment to the Conservation Commission regarding the Revised Notice of Intent – End of Eastover Road is that the Board is pleased with the revised plan and the inclusion of sidewalks, handicap ramps and

area street lighting for residents. Seconded by Richard Bringhurst. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Preliminary Plan – 54 High Street:

**Documents/Exhibits – Preliminary Plan (on file Planning Board); Deputy Health Agent’s summary.**

The Board of Health reviewed for comment the Preliminary Plan – 54 High Street, to subdivide 3.4 acres into a 5 lot single family subdivision serviced by town water and sewer.

**MOTION:** made by Mona Bissany that the Board of Health’s comment to the Planning Board regarding the Preliminary Plan – 54 High Street is that for neighborhood safety and to promote healthy outdoor evening activities that street lighting is included on the plan. Seconded by Richard Bringhurst. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Zoning Board of Appeals Variance – 269 Pleasant Street:

**Documents/Exhibits – Variance request (on file Zoning Board of Appeals); Deputy Health Agent’s summary.**

The Board of Health reviewed for comment the Variance Request – 269 Pleasant Street, to allow the construction of exterior deck and two car garage with an addition above that exceeds the allowed height to setback parameters.

**MOTION:** made by Richard Bringhurst that with respect to the request for comment from the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding the Variance Request – 269 Pleasant Street the Board of Health has no specific concerns at this time. Seconded by Carol Johnson. VOTE: 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

New Business:

Nomination Animal Inspector:

**Documents/Exhibits – Commonwealth of Massachusetts Animal Inspector nomination papers.**

**MOTION:** made by Carol Johnson that the Board of Health re-nominate John Spillane as Animal Inspector for the Town of Walpole effective May 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016. Seconded by Richard Beauregard. VOTE 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.  
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Junior Iron Chef Contest Tickets:

The Health Director informed the Board of Health that tickets are available for the Junior Iron Chef Contest, April 14, 2015, Walpole High School Cafeteria. The cost is: \$5 single, \$20 family (up to 6 members).

Old Business:

Coalition for Alcohol and Drug Awareness Video/Poster Contest Award Night:

Carol Johnson informed the Board of Health about the CADA Video/Poster Contest Award Night which was held at the Walpole Public Library Community Room, March 23, 2015. Ms. Johnson said that the event was well attended and that Deputy Health Agent, Melissa Marinelli, did a beautiful job facilitating the evening, as well as, composing a wonderful video collage of all the contest entries. Ms. Johnson said that Deputy Police Chief, Jon Carmichael, presented the awards and that School Chef Manager, Vinicio Cordon, made congratulatory cookies for everyone who participated. Ms. Chapell said that

District Attorney, Michael Morrissey, also presented the Police and School Departments a check for \$900 for future drug and alcohol prevention programs.

**MOTION:** made by William Morris to adjourn. Seconded by Richard Beauregard.  
**VOTE:** 5-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Meeting Closed: 8:31 P.M.