

June 21, 2021

Meeting opened: 7:30pm, via Zoom conference call.

Members Present: Richard Beauregard, Chairman; Carol Johnson, Clerk; Mona Bissany; Stephan Schaub; Rachel Jackson

Members Absent: Richard Bringhurst;

Weekly COVID19 Town update from Health Director, Melissa Ranieri

Approval of Minutes from the June 1, 2021 Board of Health meeting:

**MOTION:** Made by Carol Johnson that the Board approves the minutes as written. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Lifeguard Variance- Home2Suites-2375 Providence Highway

**Documents/Exhibits.** The Board of Health reviewed the lifeguard variance request for Home2Suites-2375 Providence Highway.

**MOTION:** Made by Stephan Schaub that the BOH approves the variance contingent upon a successful inspection and the following conditions:

- Home2Suites must give the Board of Health a written agreement to indemnify and hold harmless the Town and individual members of the Board of Health from claims for any incident or accident in the pool area. The Walpole Board of Health must be named in the indemnification agreement.
- In addition to the full time chief engineer who will also be a Certified Pool Operator, DV Realty Partners will engage the services of an outside CPO contractor to monitor pool chemicals and pool regulations during those times when the chief engineer is not on duty.
- Home2Suites must provide the appropriate safety and first aid equipment. The BOH recommends that at least one AED is available in the pool area, staff is trained to administer first aid and that the staff is CPR certified.
- Home2Suites must post warning signs in a conspicuous location to include:
  - WARNING- NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.
  - CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 16 SHALL NOT USE THIS POOL WITHOUT AN ADULT BEING PRESENT
  - ADULTS SHOULD NOT SWIM ALONE.
  - NO ALCOHOL SHALL BE PERMITTED IN THE POOL AREA.
  - NO PERSONS CONSUMING ALCOHOL SHALL BE ALLOWED TO SWIM.
- Guests using the pool will obtain a pool keycard at the front desk in order to enter the pool area and the pool-bathing load will be monitored during hours of operation. (4 times/day per code at a minimum needs to be recorded).
- This variance expires at the end of this pool season. (May 31, 2022)

Seconded by Carol Johnson. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS

Lifeguard Variance Fairfield Inn, 630 Boston Providence Highway:

**Documents/Exhibits- 2021 Lifeguard Variance Application.**

The Board of Health reviewed the lifeguard variance request for Fairfield Inn.

**MOTION:** Made by Mona Bissany that the Board of Health votes to continue the current lifeguard variance with the same conditions previously approved. These conditions are as follows:

- CPO (Certified Pool Operator) is on site at all times during open pool hours.
- Warning signs are posted around the pool
- Children under the age of 16 shall not use the pool without adult supervision
- Guests using the pool check in at the front desk prior to entering the pool area
- The BOH recommends that at least one AED is available in the pool area, staff is trained to administer first aid and that the staff is CPR certified.
- Standard indemnification agreement submitted to the Town of Walpole Board of Health.
- This variance expires at the end of this pool season. (May 31, 2022)

Seconded by Carol Johnson. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS

### Lifeguard Variance-Audubon Easterly

#### **Documents/Exhibits**

The Board of Health reviewed the lifeguard variance request submitted by Audubon Easterly

Christine, the manager at Audubon Easterly, called to retract the lifeguard variance request. The Board needs no action at this time.

### Lifeguard Variance- Hilltop Preserve

#### **Documents/Exhibits**

The Board of Health reviewed the lifeguard variance request submitted by Hilltop Preserve requesting no lifeguard.

**MOTION:** Made by Richard Beauregard that the Board grants Hilltop Preserve a variance allowing 1 lifeguard per 25 swimmers with the condition that at least one AED be obtained and maintained in close proximity to the pool. (Walpole Board of Health Pool Regulations currently requires one lifeguard for every twenty bathers). The Preserve Apartments is required to follow all other pool regulations and keep an accurate account during hours of operation of the number of people in the pool.

If the Preserve Apartments cannot obtain a lifeguard, they can go before the Board at the next meeting on July 6, 2021 to reassess the situation and to explore other options. Seconded by Mona Bissany. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS

### Lifeguard Variance- LA Fitness- 20 Providence Highway

**Documents/Exhibits.** The Board of Health reviewed the lifeguard variance request for LA Fitness located at 20 Providence Highway.

**MOTION:** Made by Mona Bissany that the BOH approves the variance contingent upon a successful inspection and the following conditions:

- LA Fitness must give the Board of Health a written agreement to indemnify and hold harmless the Town and individual members of the Board of Health from claims for any incident or accident in the pool area shall be made with the Board of Health and signed by the operator of the pool, a trustee or Agent thereof.
- This variance expires at the end of this pool season. (May 31, 2022)
- LA Fitness must provide the appropriate safety and first aid equipment.
- BOH recommends that staff is trained to administer first aid and at least one AED is placed in close proximity to the pool.
- LA Fitness must post warning signs in a conspicuous location to include:
  - WARNING- NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.
  - CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 16 SHALL NOT USE THIS POOL WITHOUT AN ADULT BEING PRESENT
  - ADULTS SHOULD NOT SWIM ALONE.
  - NO ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED IN THE POOL AREA.
  - NO PERSONS CONSUMING ALCOHOL ARE ALLOWED TO SWIM.
- Water quality testing done 4 times daily.
- A CPO (Certified Pool Operator) is available all times the pool is open.
- Barriers placed in the pool area that prevent pool access during routine maintenance and repair.

Seconded by Richard Beauregard. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

### Other Business-Summer Meeting Schedule

The Board voted unanimously that routine orders be granted to the Health Director, Melissa Ranieri, for the duration of the summer schedule. The BOH agreed on July 6<sup>th</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup> for the meeting dates during the summer.

**MOTION:** Made by Richard Beauregard. Seconded by Carol Johnson. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Made by Richard Beauregard. Seconded by Carol Johnson. VOTE: 4-0-0 UNANIMOUS.

Meeting closed at 8:11pm

