TOWN OF BURLINGTON, MA  
BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES  
Main Meeting Room, Town Hall  

TUESDAY, August 28, 2018  

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Board Members Present:  Ed Weiner, PhD, Vice Chairman; David McSweeney; Libby Walendziewicz, RN, MSN;  
Not Present: Wayne Saltsman, MD, PhD, Maribeth Welch  
Staff Members Present: Susan Lumenello, REHS/RS, CHMM, Director of Public Health; Christine Mathis, Environmental Engineer; Marlene Johnson, RS, Health Agent;  

Dr. Ed Weiner called the Board of Health meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.  

Open Meeting/Pledge of Allegiance  

Citizen’s Time: None  
Chairman’s Report: None  
Open Meeting/Pledge of Allegiance  

Approval of Minutes  

- May 22, 2018 Regular Meeting  
Motion: Mr. McSweeney moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 22, 2018 meeting as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Walendziewicz and approved. (3-0-0)  

- June 26, 2018, Regular Meeting  
Motion: Mr.McSweeney moved to postpone the regular meeting minutes of June 26, 2018 meeting as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Walendziewicz (3-0-0)  

Subcommittee Reports:  August 2, 2018 Subcommittee Meeting  

Motion: Mr.McSweeney moved to postpone the Subcommittee Report. Seconded by Ms. Walendziewicz and approved. (3-0-0)  

Applications:
Joe Currier and Rich Bertoni were present on behalf of the applicants. They are proposing to raise the existing dwelling to be replaced by a three unit townhouse-style residence. The roof and driveway runoff will be infiltrated using a Cultec recharge system. The stormwater management responsibilities will be shared by a homeowner's association. Ms. Mathis explained that it is a grand-fathered 3 family dwelling with a Cultec system and has a capacity designed to hold and infiltrate all storm water. The infiltration unit will overflow into the stormwater sewer system in Lexington Street and will have no new discharge. There is no contamination in the area and there are wetlands across the street. There are 13 proposed conditions to be met and applicants have read and are willing to abide by them. Ms. Mathis stated that the test pits are completed.

Motion: Mr. McSweeney moved to approve the special permit for 121 Lexington Street Realty Trust. Seconded by Ms. Walendziewicz and approved. (3-0-0)

Variances

- Pie Me Over, 91 Middlesex Tpk. – external grease interceptor

Feliciano Saviengo and Margorie Hammond were present to request a variance from the installation of an external grease interceptor. Pie Me Over will be selling fresh and unbaked pot pie, the chicken is cooked in rotisserie and will require a wipe down of all traces of grease. Ms. Johnson recommended that the board approve the variance from Section 4, Part A and allow the new food service establishment to operate without installing an external grease interceptor with the conditions presented. Dr. Weiner asked if they had experience with an external grease interceptor and the applicant stated that she had an establishment in Las Vegas. Dr. Weiner reminded the applicants that they need to keep the log updated as required. Mr. McSweeney inquired if this was a sit down establishment and the applicant confirmed that it is not.

Motion: Ms. Walendziewicz moved to approve the variance for an external grease interceptor for Pie Me Over. 91 Middlesex Tpk. Seconded by Mr. McSweeney and approved. (3-0-0)

Permits

- 151 Mill Street, Keeping of Animals (Chickens)

Mr. Sangam Dash was present. Mr. Dash would like a permit to keep 4 chickens which he currently already has on his property. Ms. Lumenello conducted two inspections and explained that the Coup is under the deck which is connected to the house. The regulations require that the coup is 75 feet away from the dwelling. The Animal Control Officer also conducted an inspection. The Animal Control Officer and the Director of Public Health do not recommend the keeping of chickens in this location because of the close proximity to the house and the difficulty in keeping the area clean and dry.

Teresa Donahue, resident from 162 Mill Street, had concerns about possible diseases and mice around her property.

Dr. Weiner urged the applicant to build a new coup or keep 3 chickens. Mr. Dash was informed that the keeping of 3 chickens does not require a permit from the Board of Health but the Animal Control Officer will still be conducting annual inspections and may require modifications to the coup.
Motion: Ms. Walendziewicz moved to deny the permit for 151 Mill Street, Keeping of 4 Chickens. Seconded by Mr. McSweeney. Approved (3-0-0)

Staff Reports

● Environmental Engineer

The fall household hazardous event is on Saturday, September 22nd at Francis Wyman School.

Mosquito sampling on August 15, 2018 resulted in two positive West Nile Virus samples in mosquitoes. The state raised the West Nile Virus risk level to moderate on August 21. The West Nile Virus risk level for Boston and surrounding town remains high. The state risk level for Eastern Equine Encephalitis for the entire state is remote. The Environmental Engineer reminded residents to remove stagnant water and to cover yourself fully and use repellent especially during dusk and dawn.

Motion: Mr. McSweeney moved to approve the Environmental Engineer report. Seconded by Ms. Walendziewicz and approved. (3-0-0)

● Health Agent

Ms. Johnson discussed an E.Coli outbreak from romaine lettuce. A cattle feedlot caused the contamination of water through feces.

Mr. McSweeney asked about the tobacco permit suspensions for 2 tobacco establishments. Ms. Johnson stated that the establishments did not sell tobacco for the required time period and will be inspected again in the near future.

Dr. Weiner asked about small black worms found in seafood. Ms. Johnson explained that parasites get into fish and recommends cooking the fish thoroughly to a temperature of 145 Fahrenheit to kill the parasites.

Motion: Ms. Walendziewicz moved to approve the Health Agent report. Seconded by Mr. McSweeney and approved. (3-0-0)
Ms. Lumenello provided an update on fats, oils, and grease along Ray Avenue. The DPW cleaned the main line in the street and conducted videotaping of the lines.

On September 12th, the MRC is having a First Aid Training. On October 20th, the annual flu clinic and Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS) drill will be conducted.

A part time contracted nurse has been hired. 100 doses of the high dose flu vaccine has been received and Ms. Lumnello will be working with the contracted nurse to administer flu vaccine to those over the age of 65.

On October 24, the Samaritans will be conducting Suicide Awareness Training which is open to MRC volunteers and interested members of the public.

Dr. Weiner asked about the recent case of measles. The Director stated that the contracted nurse is available to answer any questions that the public may have.

Mr. McSweeney stated that he would like the Director to look at possible revisions to the Keeping of Animals Regulations.

**Motion:** Ms. Walendziewicz moved to approve the Director of Public Health report. Seconded by Mr. McSweeney and approved. (3-0-0)

**Adjourn**

**Motion:** Dr. Weiner moved to adjourn at 7:40 pm. Seconded by Mr. McSweeney and approved (3-0-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Manisha Parwani
Recording Clerk
BURLINGTON, MA BOARD OF HEALTH

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AT MEETING – TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2018

Agenda
Minutes:  May 22, 2018 Regular meeting and June 26, 2018 Regular Meeting
Applications:
Application for Approval of a Special Permit– 121 Lexington Street Realty Trust:  Background Memo dated August 23, 2018 to BOH from Christine Mathis;  Application for Approval of a Special Permit;  Appearance Letter from Christine Mathis to Applicant
Variance
Pie Me Over, 91 Middlesex Turnpike – Variance for Grease Interceptor Requirements for Food Service Establishments:  Variance request document dated 8/28/18 prepared by Marlene Johnson;  Variance Application;  Pie Me Over Menu
Permits
151 Mill Street, Keeping of Animals – Document dated 8/28/18 prepared by Susan Lumenello; Letter to BOH from Sangam Dash;  MDAR Best Management Practices for Backyard Poultry Keepers;  August 13, 2018 email to Susan Lumenello from Sangam Dash;  151 Mill Street Permit Application;  August 1, 2018 letter to abutters from Samantha Hardy.
Staff Reports:  Environmental Engineer’s Report; Health Agent’s Report; Supervisory Nurse’s Report; Director of Public Health’s Report