

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

January 14, 2008

Third Floor Conference Room, Administration Building

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Beck called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

PRESENT: Dr. Carl Brownsberger, Dr. Barbara Beck, Dr. John Straus, Steven Ward, Kristel Bennett, Mark Waksmonski and Mark Reich Esq.

Minute Review: The board of health reviewed the minutes of November 14, 2007. Dr. Straus made a motion to accept the minutes of November 14, 2007. Dr. Brownsberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

266 Belmont Street, Unit #2, Administrative Hearing: Steven Ward and Kristel Bennett outlined the sanitary code history at 266 Belmont Street and described the outstanding sanitary code and animal control enforcement actions against Mr. Silva, the owner of 266 Belmont Street. The Board took note that the owner, Mr. Frank Silva, of 266 Belmont Street was not in attendance for the condemnation hearing. The occupant, Pamela Page, of 266 Belmont Street was present for the condemnation hearing and presented information on the condition and the improvements her family had made at 266 Belmont Street.

After much discussion, Dr. Straus made a motion to uphold the decision of the order letter dated November 6, 2007, due to non-compliance with the order letter a condemnation and an order to vacate and secure the dwelling unit within 21 days will be issued. Dr. Brownsberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Sushi 21: Mr. Tetsuya Nagamatsu, owner of Sushi 21, represented Sushi 21. Steven Ward stated that Sushi 21 was before the board for serious and repeated violations of the state sanitary code. Steven Ward gave an overview of the health department's administrative hearing and the violations contained in the order letter to Sushi 21 dated November 9, 2007.

After some discussion Dr. Straus made a motion to sustain the decision of the board of health meeting on November 15, 2007 and continue suspension until the March 2008 board of health meeting. Dr. Brownsberger seconded the motion and all were in favor.

New England Convenience: Kristel Bennett presented the plan review documentation for New England Convenience. Kristel Bennett informed the Board that Mr. Kalpesh Patel was representing New England Convenience and requesting a Retail Food Establishment permit and tobacco Sales and Location permit. Kristel Bennett informed the board that the applicant is seeking a variance for a grease trap and three bay sink from the Food Code since there is no food preparation, only sale of prepackage food. After a brief discussion Dr. Straus made a motion to approve the issuance of a 2008 Retail Food Establishment Permit and Tobacco Sales and Location Permit with a variance for a grease trap and three bay sink. Dr. Brownsberger seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Lexus of Watertown: Kristel Bennett presented the plan review documentation for Lexus of Watertown. Kristel Bennett informed the Board that Mr. Don Therrian was representing Lexus of Watertown and requesting a Coffee Only permit. Kristel Bennett informed the board that the applicant was seeking a variance for a grease trap and three bay sink from the Food Code since there is no food preparation, food utensils are single service items, and minimal cleaning and sanitizing of coffee machine components. After a brief discussion Dr. Straus made a motion to approve the issuance of a 2008 Coffee Only Permit with a variance for a grease trap and three bay sink. Dr. Brownsberger seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Boston House of Pizza: Kristel Bennett presented the plan review documentation for Boston House of Pizza. Kristel Bennett informed the Board that Mr. Ted Efstadhiou was representing Boston House of Pizza and requesting a Food Service Establishment permit. After a brief discussion Dr. Brownsberger made a motion to approve the issuance of a 2008 Food Service Establishment Permit. Dr. Straus seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Animal Control Ordinance

Next Meeting Date: February 20, 2007

Adjourn: 10:30 PM

Minutes: Submitted by Steven J. Ward