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MEETING MINUTES

City of Melrose
City Hall
562 Main Street
Melrose, MA 02176

Committee/Board: Board of Health

Meeting Day/Date/Time: Thursday, August 21, 2023

Location: City Hall, Council Chamber

Call to Order: Frank Brincheiro

Time Called: 6:32 PM

Second by: Carol Ann Licitra

In Attendance/Roll Call:

Board Members: Frank Brincherio, Carol Ann Licitra, Lillian Kelly

Health Department: Director, Anthony Chui; Administrative Assistant, Christy Bolduc; Tobacco Program Coordinator Maureen Buzby; Health Inspector Michael Carlino; Regional Public Health Nurse Melissa Lowry MS, BSN, RN

Approval of Minutes for April 18, 2023, Meeting:

Frank Brincherio made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 18, 2023, meeting.

Carol Ann Licitra second the motion

Further Discussion: None

Frank Brincheiro– Yes

Carol Ann Licitra – Yes

Lillian Kelly – Yes

PASSED 3-0-0

Update on 36 Waverly

Carol Ann Licitra asked for an update on 36 Waverly Place. The owners were allowed to go in the house with Rosann Trionffi-Mazzuchelli on Monday, August 25, 2023, for a few hours.

Nicotine Free Generation

Maureen Buzby, Regional Tobacco Prevention Program Coordinator, described the Nicotine Free Generation policy for the Board members' consideration.

Inspector Update

Summer inspectional report update. Food, pools and farmers market status quo.
Made note of the high volume of housing, animal control trash and rodent inspections.
Looking forward to future events such as the Victorian Fair.

Public Health Nurse Update

Dove into summer camp plan reviews and inspections.
Melissa is continually doing blood pressure screenings for residents.
Updates on communicable disease reports (chicken pox, Lyme, EEE, West Nile)
Published report on city of Melrose website on how to further protect oneself from these diseases.
Ordered and organizing the flu vaccines.
Continuing to distribute Covid tests. Waiting to hear from CDC on new protocol for schools.

Health Director Update

Announced Donna Hanks retiring.
Leanne Dennison is moving to the high school.
Karen Bolognese resigned.
Posted school nurse position.

Frank Brincheiro

Asked about dog laws and regulations about domestic animals in supermarkets (Shaws).
Anthony Chui responded that he didn't think there was a lack of restriction on this matter.
Lillian Kelly Licitra noted middle school "bike clique" and brought into discussion the public health threat of social media trends and challenges.
Also, Emily Hatchouel has been working on a social media campaign.

Foss Park Pickleball Complaint

BOH members received a formal complaint in the mail in regard to pickleball at Foss Park.
Complainants made argument it violates Melrose City Noise Ordinances (Chapter 164) from the ball hitting the paddle in the court. Anthony Chui is opening an investigation and has spoken with the Recreation Department about possible time restrictions. Board members agreed to respond with a letter to complainant.

Public Comment was opened at 7:38 PM by Frank Brincherio

Carol Ann Licitra made a motion to table Public Comment as no one from the public was in attendance for the meeting.

Frank Brincheiro second the motion

Further Discussion: None

No public comment was made.

Vote to table Public Comment:

Frank Brincheiro– Yes

Carol Ann Licitra – Yes

Lillian Kelly – Yes

PASSED 3-0-0

Frank Brincheiro made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Carol Ann Licitra second the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Further Discussion: None

Vote to adjourn the meeting:

Frank Brincheiro– Yes

Carol Ann Licitra – Yes

Lillian Kelly – Yes

PASSED 3-0-0

Meeting Adjourned at 7:39 p.m.