



Town of Mansfield
Board of Health
March 4, 2021 Minutes

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Mission Statement: The mission of the Mansfield Board of Health is to protect, preserve and improve the public health, environment and wellbeing of our citizens through the enforcement of federal, state and local statutes and regulations, education and promotion of sanitary living and working conditions, and protection of the environment from disease and pollution.

Present: Antonia Blinn; Chair, Kasia Frenette; Clerk, Michael Healey, Leah Gillespie, Graham Wilson (arrived late missed first two votes), Amy Donovan-Palmer; Health Agent, Justin Desrosiers; Mansfield Fire Chief

Guests: Tyler Brunk and Jennifer Brook from SLM Facility

I. Meeting Called to Order

The meeting of the Board of Health (BOH) was called to order at 6:00pm by Chair Antonia Blinn.

II. Consent Agenda

- Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Mr. Healey, 2nd by Ms. Frenette.
 - VOTE 4-0-1 Absent
 - PASSES 4-0

III. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve meeting minutes from 12/20/20, 1/7/21 and 2/4/21 by Mr. Healey, 2nd by Ms. Frenette
 - Vote 4-0-1 Absent
 - PASSES 4-0

IV. COVID 19 Updates

Chief Desrosiers Update

COVID 19 UPDATE

- Numbers remain low
- 50 cases in isolation
- Total Cases 1474
- % Positivity 2.99% - lowest it has been reported in several months
- Numbers are improving similar to surrounding towns.

VACCINATION UPDATE

- Received 200 doses for elderly housing.
- BiCentennial Court residents and staff vaccinated 3/4/21.
- Park Street and Cedar Court clinic 3/5/21.
- Homebound seniors and Council of Aging to be vaccinated next week.
- Plans in place to vaccinate teachers - waiting on vaccine.

V. Liaison to Select Board

- Ms. Blinn talked to Jes Apowitz in regards to expanding the Board of Health A change in

charter would be needed for this to happen. Further discussions needed with the Assistant Town Manager.

- Mr. Healey suggested having additional members sit on board to learn the ins and outs even if not a voting member.

VI. Food Establishment Violations

- Qdoba Mexican Eats - Continues to have high levels of fats, oils and grease.
 - Tyler Brunk and Jennifer Brook from SLM Facility are present at the meeting.
 - SLM coordinates pumping. Wind River is the pumping company.
- Pumping is done two times weekly per Mr. Brunk.
- Info Mr. Healey has seen pumping being done correctly.
- It appears to be an issue at the restaurant/operational level.
- Some miscommunication has happened over the last few months.
- Discussion with Qdoba needs to take place to determine what the problem is.
 - Noone at meeting from Qdoba
- Ms. Donovan-Palmer will look into how to handle Qdoba's violations based on the regulations. Will come back to BOH with info as to the next step.
 - Per Mr. Healey we need to follow our violation protocol; first violation written warning, second violation \$100 fine, third violation \$250, fourth loss of food establishment permit until proven that regulations are being followed.

VII. Department Updates

FOG

- Ms. Palmer-Donovan and Mr. George continues to work on the best practice for FOG.
- Majority of restaurants are complying.
 - Planning to acknowledge those restaurants and thank them for their cooperation.
- Those restaurants that consistently have low FOG numbers may be asked to include their FOG records when they send in permit renewals. As these restaurants are complying and do not need as much supervision.
- Plan to focus on restaurants that are not complying.

SAPHE GRANT

- Household Hazardous Waste Program working with Norton, Mansfield and Foxboro.
- 4/24/21 - Household Hazardous Waste Day
 - Hybrid Model - pre-register for curbside pickup
 - Traditional pickup at XFINITY Center - pre-register to avoid large lines and crowds.
 - ½ hour time slots.
- Focus on where waste goes to ensure it is being disposed of properly.
- Idea to create videos to educate people as to what household hazardous waste is.
- Next year work with more towns - Foxboro, Sharon, Easton and Norton
- Three year grant of \$300,000 each year to make significant regional changes.

PFAS

No Updates

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Mr. George provided info graphics
 - Reaching up to 1600 people

- Ms. Donovan-Palmer asked if anyone had suggestions as to what we would like to see posted.
 - Information on Fat, Oils and Grease and Household Hazardous Waste

VIII. Visitor Comments

No visitors or pre-submitted questions or comments.

IX. Items not known 48 hours prior

None.

X. Adjournment

A board member joined the meeting prior to the following vote:

- Motion to adjourn at 7:10pm made by Mr. Healey, 2nd by Mr. Wilson.
VOTE 5-0 PASSED

Kasia Frenette

Clerk

June 3, 2021

Date