

Acton Board of Health  
May 22, 2017

Members Present: Joanne Bissetta- Chairman William Taylor, William McInnis, Michael Kreuze and Mark Conoby.

Staff Present: Sheryl Ball- Health Director  
Weiyuan Sun- Health Administrator

Others Present: Thomas Jacoby

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m.

**Minutes**

On a motion made by Mr. Kreuze, seconded by Mr. McInnis, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Board of Health minutes dated April 10, 2017 as amended.

**Emergency Beaver Trapping Permit — Acton Water District, 693 Massachusetts Avenue**

A request has been made for an emergency beaver trapping permit due to activity along 693 and 694 Massachusetts Avenue; and 960 Main Street with flooding occurring on side property with close proximity to the Town's Public Water Supply. According to the Rules and Regulations a threat to Human health and Safety caused by Surface Water encroachment exists adjacent to the public water supply wells. On a motion made by Mr. McInnis, seconded by Mr. Kreuze, the Board unanimously voted to grant an emergency beaver trapping permit, beginning on May 23, 2017.

**Other**

- The Massachusetts Association of Health Boards submitted a letter to the Health Department seeking signature for a letter to Governor Baker against new gas pipelines. The Board discussed this as well as the status of current gas leaks in Acton and decided not to sign the letter but to look into getting the known current gas leaks fixed.
- Nuclear Metals will be holding a public hearing this Thursday to discuss the current status of the superfund site located at 2229 Main Street Concord. The board members expressed concern with the VOC and 1-4 dioxide contamination in ground water heading towards the Town's drinking water wells. A temporary extraction well has been placed on Acton Water District property until a long term plan is being finalized. It is anticipated that a final design for the Ground Water Treatment System will be decided on in the summer of 2017.
- Spring Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day- The event was on May 13, 2017 and 231 cars of residents attended this event. Previous year's numbers for the Spring event was around 400 cars. Ms. Ball asked the Board if they would like to look at regionalizing this event in the future. There are two known facilities located at Minuteman Household

Hazardous Products Regional Facility in Lexington, MA and another at Fort Devens, MA. Ms. Ball will look into these facilities and report back to the Board.

- Board of Health Meeting- the Board members would like to keep the meeting schedule of 2017.
- Medical Marijuana Dispensary- A Medical Marijuana Dispensary will be located at 18 Powder Mill Road and expects to open in the Fall 2017. The Health Department will regulate the edibles that will be produced on site.
- Tobacco Permits: Ms. Ball mentioned that we currently have 23 Tobacco Permits under the Health Department. Ms. Ball questioned whether we want to consider limiting the total number of tobacco permits that are granted. Ms. Ball will research other communities that have this in place and bring material back to the Board for further discussion.

**Adjournment**

On a motion made by Mr. Kreuze, seconded by Dr. Taylor, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:23PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Weiyuan Sun  
Acton Board of Health



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Joanne Bissetta, Chairman  
Acton Board of Health