

Wellesley Board of Health  
90 Washington St  
Wellesley, MA  
Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2018

Present:

Board:

Shepard Cohen, Chairman  
Marcia Testa Simonson, PhD, Vice Chairman  
Lloyd Tarlin, MD, Secretary  
Carol Hannenberg, MD, Associate Member

Staff:

Deadra Doku Gardner, Administrator  
Leonard Izzo, Director

In attendance:

Mary Gard, Advisory Committee, liaison

The meeting was called to order at 9:40am.

The Board of Health approved the meeting minutes from May 24, 2018.

**1. Administration**

a) Chairman's Report

Shep Cohen reported on the following:

- Town-wide public awareness campaign – Cheryl Lefman will be working with Mr. Cohen on a tri-fold document that must be ready by the end of July.

b) Director's Report

Leonard Izzo provided an overview of the Department's recent activities, as follows:

- The social worker position was posted until May 13, 2018 (Monster Board and Boston Globe). There were 14 applicants. Mr. Izzo will be interviewing five of the 14 candidates.
- The Selectmen are organizing a meeting regarding the mental health needs of the community.
- Camp meetings are on-going.

- Leonard Izzo has not yet scheduled a firm meeting date with Superintendent David Lussier to discuss school safety.
- Community Crisis Team – Mr. Izzo reported that he will be attending a meeting at the Police Department to assist in the organization of an opioid task force.
- Wellesley College – Mr Izzo is meeting with the college's mental health and health services today.

c) Salary Reviews

Shep Cohen reported that the Board of Health will request a salary review of the department staff with the Human Resource Board before the next meeting.

## 2. Community Health

a) Natural Resources Commission and Gas Leaks

At the last meeting (5/24/18) Dr. Regina LaRocque, the Vice Chair of the Wellesley NRC, attended the meeting and asked to speak to the Board of Health in regard to gas leaks. Dr. LaRocque has requested that the Board of Health prepare and send a letter to Governor Baker requesting that gas leaks in close proximity to school grounds be repaired. The School Committee has signed the letter. Dr. LaRocque played a video of a gas leak located on Seaver Street behind the Wellesley High School.

At today's meeting it was confirmed that Marcia Testa Simons will create a Board of Health letter for the Board to review at their next meeting.

b) Fund for Wellesley

The Health Department has submitted a grant application to the Fund for Wellesley for transportation of low income children to summer camps and for low-income adults to social service agencies, court and other locations. Mr. Izzo reported that the grant funding has been awarded to the Health Department.

c) Wellesley Housing Authority

Leonard Izzo reported that there is an effort to create additional affordable housing in Wellesley by expanding the number of units at Barton Road.

## 3. Environmental Health

a) 900 Worcester St. Project

Mr. Izzo reported on his recent meeting with the architect and pool designer. He reviewed the present concerns with the pool and reported on his concerns regarding having food service/bar services in the building. Mr. Izzo reported that they must consider the future uses of the building and provide grease traps should there be an intent to dine.

b) Tolles Parsons Kitchen

As noted in the Director's report of the last several meetings, the Tolles Parsons Kitchen has not been issued a Food Establishment permit. There have been no changes since the last meeting.

c) Food Establishments

Paparazzi - Leonard Izzo reported that Paparazzi will be closing on June 18 to undergo renovations. Re-opening is anticipated for August.

Mark's Pizza – Leonard Izzo reported that the location will be moving to a location behind Dunkin Donuts. The current location will be raised.

Coming soon: Whites Bakery and Door 7.

d) Ban of cell phone

Lloyd Tarlin reported that he proposes a ban on hand-held cellphone use. The Board of Health is in support of a ban on hand held cellphone use.

Additional information will be provided at a future meeting.

e) Boston Sports Club (BSC) – pools and camps

At the last meeting Leonard Izzo reported that BSC scheduled an opening inspection for the outdoor pools for Tuesday, May 22, 2018. The pools had not been filled with water and could not be inspected. The management of BSC anticipated opening for the Memorial Day weekend. The pools would not be ready for opening in advance of the holiday weekend. At today's meeting, Mr. Izzo reported that the pools were still not chemically balanced.

Mr. Izzo reported that BSC has been poorly organized this year in regard to camps. Several of the BSC camps were supposed to open and were postponed as the complex was not ready. The emergency pool phone is still non-operational and there are many facility issues that need to be addressed.

#### **4. Emergency Preparedness**

- a) Emergency Preparedness Programming  
To be reviewed at the next meeting.

**5. Other**

- a) Action Item list 06/07/18  
The Board of Health reviewed the Action Item List for 6/07/18.

The next meetings of the Board of Health will take place on June 21, 2018.

This meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deadra Doku Gardner  
Administrator

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Documents reviewed during this meeting and on file in the Health Department:

- Action Item List (06/07/18)