



# Town of Boylston Board of Health [boh@boylston-ma.gov](mailto:boh@boylston-ma.gov)

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## MEETING MINUTES

September 26, 2016

**Members Present:** Sarah Scheinfein, Doug Kimmens

**Members Absent:** John Wentzell

**Others Present:** Dennis Costello (Sanitation Agent), see attached Sign-In Sheet

**Recorder:** Melanie Rich

### GENERAL BUSINESS

Doug Kimmens made a motion to approve the July 26, 2016 Meeting Minutes; Sarah Scheinfein seconded; all voted in favor; motion approved.

October 24, 2016 was confirmed as the next meeting date.

### AGENT'S REPORT

Tobacco – Sarah spoke with Megan DeNubila (Worcester Tobacco Coalition) about giving a presentation. She received a response from Tahanto and is in the process of contacting the President of the PTO; she will keep the board informed. Dennis also talked to Ms. DeNubila about inviting DJ Wilson and Cheryl Sabara (both attorneys) to a meeting. Ms. DeNubila said she will attend prior to them attending. Ms. DeNubila will be asked to the October meeting to discuss the various tobacco products on the market. Dennis said there has been no action on the Tobacco 21 Bill; it will be taken up again in January; the push is still on.

Mosquito Control (Positive Finding) – Numerous calls were received; some were outside of the town and area. There were concerns about the effect blanket spraying would have on bees. Dennis spoke to a gentleman in the Assessor's Office who happens to be a member of the Beekeepers Association and explained the complaints received. He knew the pesticide being used and said the bees would be fine. The hive would have to be covered with a wet blanket/towel which absorbs what is in the air. Because this particular spray does not stay airborne very long, it settles faster. The hives could not be covered for two days; they could not breathe. There was also a concern because the bees forage. Bees start work at sunrise; the beekeeper can close the door to the hive; if they can't see at sunrise they won't go out. The pesticide being used breaks down in the sunlight. Spraying done was low volume. Dennis said we also learned how to do a code red in a limited area; the Fire Chief has access and said approximately 168 calls were made. Overall it went well.

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Preparedness Trailer – The trailer has been delivered. The BOH owns the trailer. The Police, Fire, and Highway Departments each own one as well. It will eventually be lettered. Some of the items currently stored in the town hall will be moved into it. It should be stocked within the next year. When needed it can be moved by the Police, Fire or Highway Departments. Sarah suggested leaving one key at the Police Station.

Region 2 Quarterly Drill – Dennis participated in the Web EOC Drill for the Emergency Dispensing Site. He is now able to access drills via his cell phone.

### **PLAN REVIEW**

525 Linden Street (Wheeler) – Approved

440 Linden Street (Popillo) – Approved

Request for Plan Extension (218 School Street) – Denied. The plan was previously granted an extension. It is still an open site and has not been brought into compliance according to DEP regarding the change of the primary and reserve area. It will require a plan review with an updated, stamped plan including the existing lot condition.

Doug Kimmens made a motion to adjourn; Sarah Scheinfein seconded the motion; all voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.