

**CITY OF GLOUCESTER
Board of Health
Minutes of the Meeting
August 1, 2019
5:30 p.m.
City Hall Annex
3 Pond Road
Gloucester, MA 01930**

Board members present: Chairperson: Dr. Richard Sagall; Vice–Chairperson: Robert Harris Frederick Cowan; Claudia Schweitzer; and Joe Rosa. Present from the Health Department: Assistant Director: Max Schenk; Food Inspector: Brian Meuleman; Absent: Health Director: Karin Carroll.

The meeting started at 5:30 p.m.

This meeting was recorded by audio in accordance with State Open Meeting Law.

PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATION

There was no “Public Oral Communication”.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Mr. Cowan to approve the Gloucester Board of Health minutes of the meeting of July 11th, 2019 as written. **Seconded** by Ms. Schweitzer. **CARRIED**.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no “Standing Committee Reports”.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no “New Business”.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairperson Sagall changed the order of business on the agenda.

Attorney Meredith Fine, representing Sandpiper Bakery, 65 Middle Street, Appeal of Health Department order dated April 18, 2019

Mr. Schenk and *Chairperson Sagall* recused themselves from the agenda item and left the meeting for the item.

Vice-Chairperson Robert Harris assumed the Chair.

Brian Meuleman, Food Inspector for the Health Department appeared before the board. He gave board members an overview of the food code. He read from the food code: “ventilation, hood systems, and devices should be sufficient in number and capacity to prevent grease or condensation from collecting on walls and ceilings”.

Nora Adukonis attorney formerly representing the Sandpiper Bakery appeared before the board on behalf of the owner of Unit 1, Theresa Gallo. She stated that no one from the Sandpiper Bakery is present. She stated that Ms. Fine sent a letter to the Board of Health stating she could not be here today and because of her absence she would request a continuance.

The board discussed the appeal and the lack of information provided to the Board of Health from the Legal Department.

Mr. Schenk returned to read a letter from Ms. Fine stating that a highly qualified expert stated that a Type 2 hood is not required for the equipment in question and it is the answer the City has been seeking; in addition Sandpiper Bakery will install more of the Roxul.

The board agreed that the appeal in its present form is inadmissible and Sandpiper Bakery has not submitted the requested plan to the Board of Health.

MOTION by Mr. Harris that the Gloucester Board of Health deny the appeal for Sandpiper Bakery on the hood issue. **Seconded** by Ms. Schweitzer. **CARRIED.** Mr. Rosa **abstained**.

Update Public Health Nurse Kelley Hiland on recent issuance of Mass Department of Public Health policies regarding CBD-containing products

Mr. Schenk stated that Ms. Hiland could not attend the meeting due to a family emergency. He stated that there was some discussion about promulgating local regulations regarding the sale of CBD-containing products. He stated that the State has determined that CBD cannot be put into food and other nearby communities are sending out notices to providers. The board agreed that the Health Department should send a notice to establishments in Gloucester. The board discussed the difference between hemp seed products and CBD-containing products.

The board agreed to delay enforcement of the issue until the next Board of Health meeting.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Presented by Max Schenk

The following “Monthly Report” was given to Board members.

[July Monthly Report](#)

Mr. Schenk stated that the Mayor visited the Annex complex to speak with various departments including the Health Department.

Mr. Schenk stated that Ms. Carroll and Ms. Hiland met with the new medical director of the Gloucester Family Health Center.

Mr. Schenk stated that Ms. Carroll met with the City Auditor to discuss the Dental Center deficit and to develop a plan to remediate.

Mr. Schenk stated that Rosalie Nicastro has been hired for the Mass in Motion Senior Transport grant.

The board discussed beach testing.

CONCERNS OF BOARD MEMBERS

Communication with City Departments- The board discussed communication among City departments.

Next Regular Monthly Meeting Board of Health- The next Board of Health monthly meeting will be on September 5, 2019 at the CATA Training Room at 5:30 p.m. *Ms. Schweitzer* stated that she cannot attend that meeting.

MOTION by Mr. Cowan to adjourn.
Seconded by Ms. Schweitzer. **CARRIED.**
MEETING ADJOURNED – 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbi Orlando

Accepted by:

Richard Sagall, Chairperson

Documents Referenced:
August 1, 2019 Board of Health Agenda
July 11, 2019 Board of Health Minutes
July 2019 Monthly Department Reports

Information related to CBD discussion