

Dracut Board of Health
Minutes
September 17, 2015

Present: Chairperson Evan Themeles, Vice Chairman, Louis Rousseau, Clerk, Paul Enis, Jill Laffin, Public Health Agent, and Marylee Enos, Secretary. The meeting was held at the Town Hall, 62 Arlington St, Dracut, MA.

Also in attendance were, Cynthia Campbell, the Town Nurse
Chairperson Evan Themeles called the meeting to order 5:00p.m.

Minutes:

Evan Themeles made a motion to approve the August 6, 2015, meeting minutes, seconded by Paul Enis. The motion passed unanimously.

40 U Properties:

Chairman, Evan Themeles asked the Board of Health Agent where we stand on the 40 U Properties. Ms. Laffin explained that 91 Sesame St is still being ticketed but the owners are getting the necessary paperwork to have it demolished. Ms. Laffin explained they have been to court on this and they are going back the second week in October, hopefully it will be finalized then.

Chairman Themeles asked the Health Agent how you handle it when the person can't afford it. Ms. Laffin explained when some of the residents who get the initial letter stating that their Property exhibits violations of the Massachusetts State Sanitary Code, letting them know they need to contact the office and resolve the issues within 7 days, they do clean up and get a hold of the office. Ms. Laffin explained as long as they show an effort that they are serious about cleaning things up, the ticketing will be reconsidered.

Mr. Rousseau explained that most of the properties are bank owned, with no one living in them. They are mostly abandoned properties.

Mr. Themeles explained it should be done by individual cases. Ms. Laffin agreed and explained they are being treated that way.

Ms. Laffin explained there is a hearing for 1095 Lakeview Ave today and another one for 1087 Lakeview Ave scheduled for September 24th. She will update the board at the next meeting.

Nurses Report:

The Town Nurse, Cynthia Campbell explained to the Board the Flu Clinic has been scheduled for October 3, 2015 at the Richardson Middle School. She also explained she will be doing a mini clinic at the Council on Aging for the seniors who can't get to the Flu Clinic because of transportation.

Mr. Themeles asked if there would be a shortage this year. Mrs. Campbell explained there is plenty of the vaccine this year. She also stated any unused vaccines will get turned back in, then we will receive a credit once the vaccines are sent back.

Old Business:

Chairperson Evan Themeles, asked Mr. Rousseau if has heard on a ruling from Town Council to see if he can still be a Board Member, as he is the part time Heath Inspector currently.

Mr. Rousseau explained he has not. Ms. Laffin explained she will contact Town Council on this.

Chairman Evan Themeles stated he was contacted again by Jim Carr, from the Pipeline Awareness Group explaining the concerns they still have on the proposed Pipeline that Kinder Morgan is purposing for the Town of Dracut. Mr. Themeles stated he does have his own concerns about the pipeline and the hazardous and safety issues with bringing it into the Town. Mr. Themeles asked that the Pipeline be put back on the agenda for the next scheduled meeting.

Paul Enis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm, seconded by Evan Themeles, the motion passed unanimously.

Board of Health



Evan Themeles, Chairman



Louis R Rousseau, Vice Chairman

Paul Enis, Clerk