

MARBLEHEAD BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES, December 11, 2018

Present: Chm. Helaine Hazlett, Todd Belfbecker, Andrew Petty, Director, Joyce Redford, Jerry Smith (OPM)

Absent: Michelle Gottlieb

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

Joyce Redford, who is the director of the North Shore / Cape Ann tobacco alcohol policy program, came before the board to review statistics on tobacco control. She stated that in the last year use of e-cigarettes has increased with high school students to 78% and middle school students to 48%. These numbers are high and such usage may lead to addictive behaviors. The Massachusetts state law as of January 1, 2019 will read as follows: raising minimum age of 18 to 21 to purchase tobacco or vaping products, banning vaping on school grounds and other public places, and a prohibition on the sale of tobacco products by pharmacies or stores within health care facilities. Tobacco 21 is a national organization that supports the higher age. Five states currently have the Tobacco 21 laws. The states are: California, Hawaii, Maine, New Jersey and Oregon.

MOTION to approve additional service #10 requested fee from Winter Street Architects in the amount of \$67,036 and to authorize Andrew Petty to sign. All in favor and motion passed.

Andrew told the Board that there are two new compactors in the recycling area of the transfer station. Some of the costs will be defrayed by grant money.

Andrew personally thanked Jerry Smith for being an incredible asset to the town.

Director's Report:

- Natural gas letter has been sent to Governor Baker.
- A letter was issued to Marblehead Brewing Company stating they must complete work associated with their building permit. The work as outlined will bring them into compliance with 105 CMR 590.000 and 204 CMR 2.00. Once all work is complete, inspected and signed off, Marblehead Brewing Company can open for table service with appropriate license.
- Attended a gun safety forum on November 27th called "Why are guns a public health issue?"
- Based on an open meeting law complaint, The Massachusetts Attorney General's Office sent a letter stating that the board was in violation with insufficient meeting minutes on November 14, 2017.

MOTION to amend the meeting minutes of November 14, 2017 with included language. All in favor and motion passed.

New Business:

The meeting in February will take place on February 5, 2019.

MOTION to approve meeting minutes of November 19th as amended. All in favor and motion passed.

MOTION to close meeting. All in favor and motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.

Andrea Flaxer
Senior Clerk

