



## TOWN OF NORTHBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH

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*The Northbridge Board of Health approved these minutes at a meeting held May 9, 2017.*

### MEETING MINUTES ~ April 11, 2017

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This meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mr. Paul McKeon, Chairman. Other members present were Ms. Lani Criasia, Mr. Steven Garabedian, and Mr. Scott Chase. Mr. Chris Cella was absent. Also present was Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Mr. Chase to accept the minutes of **February 28, 2017**. Motion seconded by Ms. Criasia; the vote was 4-0 in favor.

**New Ultra Mart – Quarterly Inspection Order – Discussion:** Present for this meeting was Manish Patel, owner. Mr. Patel requested an opportunity to appear before the Board to address the Quarterly Inspection Order the Board issued at their February 28, 2017 meeting.

The Board noted that on the most recent food establishment inspection report, April 8, 2017, that the inspector noted that there was no hot water in the facility. The bathrooms also lacked toilet paper and paper towels.

Mr. Garabedian asked if the hot water is back on. Mr. Patel stated that it is not. Mr. Garabedian asked how long he has been without hot water. Mr. Patel responded that it has been over one month. He stated that they switched to electric heat and he was unaware that the hot water was still on oil. The Board questioned why he has allowed the facility to be without hot water for over one month. Ms. Criasia stated that this is a serious public health violation – by not providing hot water their employees are not able to properly wash their hands after using the bathroom.

The Board also discussed the pest control slips noting that they lack detail. Mr. Patel stated that there is no mice problem at this store any more. The Board questioned the March invoice noting that an additional trap was placed on the exterior of the building. Mr. Patel stated that he requested that as an additional measure to protect his store.

**Ms. Criasia motioned that the New Ultra Mart Convenience & Gas be CLOSED effective immediately and that it shall not be allowed to re-open until hot water has been restored and the pest control company provides a report that they inspected and note that no pest activity was observed. Motion seconded by Mr. Garabedian; the vote was all in favor.**

Additionally, the Board noted that the invoice for the quarterly inspection order was not yet paid. Mr. Patel paid the invoice at the meeting.

The Board contacted the Northbridge Police Department to advise them that this facility has been ordered closed by the Board of Health and asked that they patrol the location to ensure compliance with the Board's order.

**King Jade Chinese Restaurant – Consideration of Quarterly Inspection Order:** In accordance with the Board of Health Inspection Policy for Food Establishments, due to the citing of three or more critical violations, the Board issued notice to this establishment that they would be reviewing the most recent inspection report to determine whether the establishment should be placed on a quarterly inspection program.

Present for this meeting was Nathan Ng, owner of King Jade. Mr. Ng presented the Board with an update regarding the violations noted by Ms. Gilchrist on March 4, 2017. The Board noted that nine (9) critical violations were found.

Mr. Garabedian reviewed the violations as well as the violations observed in the Re-Inspection report dated March 18, 2017. Mr. Ng stated that all violations have now been corrected.

The Board informed Mr. Ng that they cannot ignore the fact that nine critical violations were observed.

**Motion made by Ms. Criasia that King Jade be placed on a Quarterly Inspection program and will be required to pay the non-compliance fee. The Board will re-visit the matter after the next couple of inspection reports to determine if this establishment can be removed from the quarterly inspection order. Motion seconded by Mr. Garabedian; the vote was all in favor.**

**Purgatory Beer Company:** The Board reviewed the “Conditional Approval” given to Purgatory Beer Co. after review of their plans by Ms. Terry Gilchrist, Health Inspector. No further action required at this time.

**Housing Standards – 1084 Providence Road – Update:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that the Northbridge Police Department contacted the office regarding the condition of this property.

The occupant was removed but is expected to return. She stated that she was in contact with the family and is waiting to hear back from them. Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that the Senior Center Director is also involved in this case and is seeking assistance from Tri Valley Elder Services. The Board instructed Ms. Gniadek to contact MDPH for guidance.

**Tom Berkowitz Trucking – Third Party Inspection Reports:** The Board reviewed the Third Party Inspection Reports for Maintenance & Operation and Waste Ban Compliance for this transfer station. The inspections were conducted by Wayne C. Perry of Stantec. No further action required at this time.

**Quaker Street Landfill – SW22 Application - Update:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that an SW-22 application filed in 2010 with DEP to reduce monitoring has been on hold and now DEP is asking the Board to determine whether they want to move forward with the application or if the Board would like to withdraw this application.

The Board discussed moving forward with application noting that if it is approved, then we are all set; if it is denied, then it would be the same outcome as a withdrawal, so there is no downside to moving forward.

**Motion made by Mr. Chase to move forward with SW-22 application. Motion seconded by Ms. Criasia; the vote was all in favor.**

**By-Law Review Committee:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board that in accordance with the town bylaws, a review is currently being conducted by a By-Law Review Committee. Mr. Denis Latour, a member of that committee, stopped by the office to let the Board of Health know that if they have any suggestions for changes, then this is a good time to submit them for his committee's review.

**Old & New Business:** Ms. Gniadek informed the Board of concerns raised with the **2017 Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce Home & Business Expo** held at the Northbridge High School. A vendor that was not approved to participate in the chowder contest was present the day of the event. Another vendor was there to participate in the chowder contest but also had a booth of food products as well as a rotisserie, offering products for retail sale to attendees. That vendor did not obtain a one-day food permit – the chamber failed to inform us of the level of participation of this vendor. The Board instructed Ms. Gniadek to send a letter to the Chamber outlining the issues and concerns related to this event and to inform them that this will not be acceptable for any future events.

**Citizens' Forum:** *No one present for Citizen's Forum.*

**Correspondence:** The following correspondence was distributed to the Board:

- *Spring Town Meeting Warrant*
- *Email – Town Counsel Re: Enforcement of Drug Paraphernalia Ban (BOH Regulation)*
- *Local Public Health Update – March 2017*

*There being no further business, motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM was made by Mr. Chase and seconded by Mr. Garabedian – all in favor.*

*Attested by,*

*Jeanne M. Gniadek, Administrator*

**List of Documents utilized by Board of Health**  
**Meeting Date: April 11, 2017**

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**A. Meeting Minutes**

- 1) February 28, 2017 DRAFT Meeting Minutes

**B. Food Service Establishments**

**2) New Ultra Mart Convenience & Gas**

- a. Memorandum from T. Gilchrist (2-1-2017) re: Quarterly Inspection Order Review & Assessment
- b. Letter (3/1/17) re: Quarterly Inspection Review & Assessment
- c. Invoice – Quarterly Inspection Order
- d. Email (3/6/17) Subject: Pest Control Report
- e. True Pest Control Invoices (Nov, Dec, Feb, Mar)
- f. Email (3/13/17) re: BOH meeting
- g. Food Establishment Inspection Report (4/8/17)

**3) King Jade Chinese Restaurant**

- a. BOH Letter (3/17/17) to King Jade re: BOH Meeting – Consideration of Quarterly Inspection Order
- b. Food Establishment Inspection Report – March 4, 2017
- c. Food Establishment Inspection Report – March 17, 2017

**4) Purgatory Beer Company**

- a. Letter of Conditional Approval – March 20, 2017

**C. Housing Code – Minimum Sanitation Standards**

**5) Providence Road, 1084**

- a. Phone log (4/5/17) – conversation with M. Lemieux
- b. BOH letters (3/17/17 and 3/3/17)

**D. Old & New Business**

**6) Tom Berkowitz Trucking – Transfer Station**

- a. Third Party Inspection Report – Operation & Maintenance
- b. Third Party Inspection Report – Waste Ban Compliance

**7) Quaker Street Landfill – SW-22 Application**

- a. Memorandum re: Phone Call/DEP

**8) Planning Board Notice (2/15/17) re: Temporary Moratorium Recreational Marijuana Establishments**

**E. Citizens' Forum – none**

**F. Correspondence**

**9) Town of Northbridge – Warrant for Spring Annual Town Meeting**

**10) Miscellaneous**

- a. Email – Town Counsel – re: Enforcement of Drug Paraphernalia regulation
- b. Local Public Health Update – March 2017