



TOWN OF WAKEFIELD

BOARD OF HEALTH

Elaine M. Silva, Chair
Candace Linehan
Laurel Skinder Gourville

The Wakefield Board of Health held their meeting January 20th ,2021 at 7:00 PM remotely

Present: Laurel Gourville
Candace Linehan
Elaine Silva

Ruth Clay Health Director

Not Present:

Topics of Discussion

Call to order

Chairperson Silva called the meeting to order at 07:02 PM

Public Participation

Mark Sardella, The Wakefield Item ,Xing Xiong ,Ying Spa Owner , Jiffy Lube representation Jesse Rosado

Approval of Minutes

Gourville motioned to table minutes from December 16th,2020 for further review. seconded by Linehan, motion passed 3.0.0 Gourville yes, Linehan yes, Silva yes.

Variance request: Gregory's Garden Center late fee for dumpster permit

Gregory O'Brien, owner of Gregory's Garden Center 329 Vernon St Wakefield, Ma paid his annual dumpster fee on January 13th, 2021. His late fees were accruing at a daily of \$50; his total late fee due is \$650. Gourville motioned to grant the variance at a reduced fee of 50% total if paid within 30 days or the original late fee will be charged, seconded by Linehan. Gouville yes, Linehan yes. Silva yes. Motion passed 3:0:0.

Variance request: Jiffy Lube late fee for dumpster permit

Jesus Rosado company representative for Jiffy Lube store# 1886 at 589 Main St Wakefield, Ma was present. The annual dumpster fee was paid on January 14th, 2021. The late fees were accruing at a daily at \$50so his total late fee due is \$700. Gourville motioned to grant the variance at a reduced fee of 50% total to be paid within 30 days or the original late fee will be charged, seconded by Linehan. Gourville yes, Silva yes, Linehan yes. Motion passed 3.0.0.

Approval of Application for

Xing Xiong owner of Xing Spa was present with a man who said he was there to assist .This massage establishment had been in operation for three years. Health Director Clay went over the application for practitioner that was submitted and



**Ying Spa 111
Albion St**

explained that this was on the agenda because one of the applications Cori/sori results was returned that the applicant had an offense of sexual improprieties. Song Xioling . Xing Xiong explained that this person does not work for her and will not work for her. Clay questioned why Song is on the application that was submitted in January and suggested a mandarin interpreter to assist the owner with communicating for this process. Xing said she had two girls with massage license and needs to add bodywork. Clay said we need them to apply. We will call her with a mandarin interpreter. The establishment needs a permit and practitioners need permits.

Health Directors Report

- Clay hired a part-time food inspector who is helping us get caught up as Coral is doing a lot of COVID work. She is a full time inspector for Medford.
- COVID numbers will be sent tonight updated through today. Numbers for Wakefield are not good getting and not getting better. Cases are primarily household. A monthly breakdown by age will soon be added. The trend is younger verses last spring it was the elderly.
- The School Department is testing teachers and staff weekly. EMD Tom Walsh is running the testing site; Cindy and Coral have helped with administrative part.
- Clay gave an update on COVID-19 vaccinations. Our public health collaborative is with Medford, Malden, Winchester, Stoneham, Melrose and Wakefield. The clinics for Phase 1 will be on a regional basis. Over 900 first responders and EMTs were vaccinated on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Fire and police from any 6 communities could go to any of those clinics in Medford, Malden and Melrose over 3 days and it will be repeated in 28 days. Anyone in phase 1 can come.

Clinics will have various times to accommodate many schedules. When we move onto Phase 2 each community will conduct their own clinics. We are getting a lot of calls and we are directing people to the state website.

Linehan suggested communication from the town be sent in a blast email so that people do not have to search.

Clay reported that the Town has hired a Volunteer Coordinator. Coral will be the Admin Coordinator, Laurel Gourville will be the Coordinator of clinical aspects and nurses. Clay is in charge of operations, Tom Walsh logistics, Jenn McDonald in charge of communications, Chief Skory in charge of security.

Business which has arisen since the posting of the meeting.

Clay would like to comment on the tragic incident that happened in Wakefield. The school department

held a crisis meeting that afternoon and she felt that they are really doing a great of addressing the needs of both staff and students

Gourville added that other business is still taking place as WAKE-UP is still having monthly meetings, the most of which was yesterday and Feb 23rd is the next.

Materials distributed:

1. Agenda
2. December 16th, 2020 draft minutes
3. Covid 19 cases spreadsheet
4. Gregory's Garden Center Letter
5. Jiffy Lube's letter

Next meeting will be February 17th 2021 7:00 PM remotely

Meeting adjourned at 08:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cindy Luongo', with a stylized, cursive script.

Cindy Luongo