

MEETING MINUTES

September
October 19th, 2022 | 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Candace Linehan called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Attendance: Candace Linehan Chair; Laurel Skinder Gourville, Vice-Chair, Elaine Silva secretary

Administration Present: Cindy Luongo, Board of Health Clerk, Anthony Chui, Health Director Melrose and Wakefield, Melissa Lowry PHN Melrose and Wakefield, Erin Hull Wakefield/Melrose Senior Environmental Health Specialist,

Other Present: Aldo Parnasso CT Colonial Point management, Attorney Robert D. Russo for Colonial Point

Public Engagement: Colonial Point residents,

Approval of minutes of September 21stth 2022: Gourville motions to accept minutes, seconded by Silva motion passed by roll call vote 3 o o.

Recreational Camp permit fees proposed change: The BOH discussed increasing the permit fee for recreational camps from \$10 to \$200 in their September BOH meeting. Laurel Gourville motioned to accept the fee change seconded by Silva motion passed by roll call vote 3 o o .

Colonial Point hearing: Health Director Chui gave an overview of the housing issues and complaints from tenants at Colonial Point dating back before December all which include a fire, sewage breaks, trash and dumpster problems and the lack of response from the property management. Erin Hull addressed one just one recent issue of the manhole sewage break and the lack of response from management. Resident of CP Lorraine spoke to the BOH about a flood in her apartment back in 2015. This ended in court and CP did not show up to the hearing. Since then they never replaced the carpet Lorraine gave the court docket number to the BOH. Attorney Robert D Russo addressed the BOH said he has representing Carabetta for the last 10 years. Russo said the tenants have been given all the contact information on their lease and it this is posted, they should first be calling the office number Donna is new but is in te office to take these calls , or they call the 800#, or email cp with issues or they can even call him. He said the problem is that tenants will call the BOH before doing this because as they think the BOH will get it address the issue faster. Chui said residents call the 800# and they don't get a response. Atty.Russo said the issue with the trash rooms is tenants themselves throw things that don't fit down it and clog the trash chutes. Gourville said these complaints have been endless for decades its an attitude of callousness that has been going on for years. Gourville suggests that CP management put in place a quality assurance plan and something they can bring to BOH, Silva spoke that CP problem have come down to communication with CP and tenants. Linehan



said it comes down to accountability and the health and human service department has put forth lots of effort and time supporting the CP property of all these problems that CP management should be doing. Aldo Parnasso , spoke as Carabetta's Director of Operations/maintenance team , stated he has taken notes on these current issues, is on the meeting tonight to repair the relationship with the community of CP, the town of Wakefield and BOH, Aldo explains that he has already implemented a preventative maintenance plan, inspecting the entire complex and units for anything that needs to be repaired. Currently there are no work orders on the books as of today and he will provide his office number if the resident can't reach the CP Wakefield management they can call him. Linehan said we can check in again on progress on the next BOH meeting or in our December meeting.

Health Directors Report:

Recap of clinics:

On 10/8 Wakefield Farmers Market and Town Day Flu shots totally close to 200 shots.

On 9/29 Joint Melrose/Wakefield COVID Clinic in September 198 shots

Now offering walk-in clinics at Health Department office 5 Common

11/5 Family Flu Clinic

The first HHS newsletter coming out soon

Grant announcement:

Melrose Stoneham and Wakefield STOP grant 1million dollars over the next 3 years.

Health and Human Service department in the regionalization project adding Stoneham to this group.

Adjournment: Gourville motioned to adjourn, seconded by Silva 07:37 p.m. Motion passed 3-0-0 by a roll call vote.

Next meeting November 16th 2022 6PM

Respectfully submitted



Cindy Luongo