

Town of Abington
Board of Health Meeting
Monday, May 20, 2013
Buckley Room
7:00pm

Member's present: Bob Manning, Chairman, Theresa Maze, Vice-Chair, Linda Dickey, Donna Hoffman, Margie Devlin, Sharon White, Health Agent

Bob brings the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Bob brings the Board up to date on the Hookah Bar information.

Time limit for trash variances

Donna will be making an amendment to the May 6, 2013, to reflect the variance for Roger Woods, Thaxter Ave property.

Sharon explains that the only Board that can make a variance is the Zoning Board and trash variances go against the Trash and Recycling Regulations.

Theresa suggests a moratorium on variances.

Theresa motions for the moratorium on further variances until the new Town Manager comes on board and meets with the Board of Health.

Margie seconds motion

Unanimous

Trash Regulations and Fines

Sharon explains and discusses her suggestions for fines from other town's fine structure regulations.

- First attempt – verbal warning
- Second attempt – written warning
- Noncriminal fine of \$50 for non-compliance
- Noncriminal fine of \$100 for non-compliance
- Failure to comply – no collection until compliance is met

Sharon discusses the Grant that she received for recycling education and suggests sending out information to the residents as it could be a useful tool.

Theresa motions to accept the fining structure as presented to go into effect immediately

Linda seconds motion

Unanimous

Tobacco Regulations

Expand Nicotine delivery products (e-cigarettes)

Theresa motions in favor

Margie opposes

Unanimous of accepting

Cessation sign requirements

Linda motions to accept

Theresa seconds
Margie opposes
Unanimous to accept

Include a sign requirement for nicotine delivery products (must be 18yrs)
Theresa motions to accept
Linda seconds motion
Margie opposes
Unanimous to accept

Minimum pricing for nicotine products
Linda motions to accept
Theresa seconds
Margie opposes
Unanimous to accept

No permit renewal with outstanding fines
Theresa motions to accept
Margie seconds
Unanimous

Cap and/or reduce number of permits
Linda motions to accept
Donna seconds
Margie opposes
Unanimous to accept

Minimum cigar package size price
Bob motions to accept
Linda seconds
Margie opposes
Unanimous to accept

Ban Blunt Wraps
Bob motions to accept
Linda seconds
Margie opposes
Unanimous to accept

Ban Redemption of Coupons
Bob motions to accept
Donna seconds
Linda, Terry, Margie oppose
Unanimous to oppose

Ban self service displays
Linda motions to accept
Bob seconds

Unanimous

Ban Vending Machines

Terry motions to accept

Linda seconds

Unanimous

Ban Non-Residential Roll Your Own Machines

Bob motions to accept

Terry seconds

Margie and Linda oppose

Unanimous to accept

Ban Tobacco Sales in Healthcare Institutions

Donna motions to accept

Linda seconds

Margie motions to change the wording to "Ban Tobacco Sales in Stores that have a Pharmacy"

Margie opposes

Unanimous to accept

Ban Tobacco Sales in Educational Institutions

Terry motions to accept

Linda seconds

Margie opposes

Unanimous to accept

Fining Structure to mirror State Law

Bob would like this to read "Include an amended fining structure within our new tobacco regulations"

Bob would like to establish our own fining structure.

Margie motions to accept

Donna seconds

Unanimous

Tolling Periods (frequency in between violations)

Bob motions to accept a tolling period of 12 months

Margie seconds

Unanimous

The wording "Shall" vs "May" in the language of suspensions

Linda motions to accept

Donna seconds

Unanimous

Bob motions to the Board if they want to keep the changes as a By-Law, Ordinance or Regulation

Terry seconds motion as a Regulation

Unanimous

The Board agrees to have the Regulations in place no later than October 1, 2013.

Minutes

Discussion regarding Margie's request for an addendum on her statement regarding the exotic animals in the May 6, 2013, minutes.

Margie motions to take out what was previously written and have the Board review what she had suggested what she feels is more accurate and if the Board agrees to accept this, that's what Margie feels more comfortable with

Terry seconds motion

Unanimous

Donna will also email her amendment for the May 6, 2013, minutes.

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Donna motions to adjourn

Margie seconds

Unanimous

Bob Manning, Chairman

Mary DeRusha, Chief Clerk