

Time being 7:00 p.m. **September 25, 2017** Eric Arvedon opened the meeting of the Foxborough Board of Health, under the Open Meeting Laws of the State of Massachusetts. Eric Arvedon, Chairman presiding, Paul Mullins, Vice-Chairman, Paul Steeves, Clerk, and Pauline Zajdel, Health Director were present. Meeting took place in the Public Safety Building, McGinty Room at 8 Chestnut Street. Minutes were taken by Pauline Zajdel.

7:00 p.m. Discussion on proposed changes to 105 CMR 410.000: Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation (State Sanitary Code: Chapter II)

Those in attendance for this agenda item:

Rich Feeley, Mayfair Realty
Ravinder Sarin, Gaard Motel
Rich Sarin, Gaard Motel

Eric stated that once these regulations are promulgated, the Local Board of Health must enforce them. These are minimum standards. The State has asked for comments and the Board has invited the establishments for input. Eric read, in part, the June 14, 2017 letter from Jan Sullivan, Acting Director, Bureau of Environmental Health stating substantial revisions to the Code have not been made since 1994 and the current Housing Code contains obsolete references to other Codes such as the Building and Fire Codes. Eric encouraged each establishment to submit their own comments to the State.

Discussion entailing an Owner's responsibility as it relates to the elimination of pests occurred. 105 CMR 410.560 of the proposed changes discusses the responsibilities of both the Owner and Occupant as it relates to pest management. Pauline added that as an Owner, the Occupant is required under 105 CMR 410.003 to allow you access to the residence for such needs as repairs, alterations, pest elimination, and service of utilities.

Discussion continued with questions on how the proposed changes addressed short term and long term tenancy that is commonly found in a hotel or motel settings.

Comments associated with the proposed baluster interval distance in 105 CMR 410.530 changing from six to four inches were heard, stating this would incur a financial burden on Owners to replace all current railings. Paul Mullins also made note that failing to maintain a safe handrail or protective railing is also considered a condition deemed to endanger under 105 CMR 630(A)(15) and a variance cannot be granted.

Eric thanked all those that attended and strongly encouraged establishments to submit their comments to the State.

Eric Arvedon declared the matter of the discussion on the proposed changes to 105 CMR 410.000 closed at 8:05 p.m.

8:05 p.m. Catarine Silveire Centeis - Student

Ms. Silveire Centeis is a student from University of Mass. Boston. She was not on the agenda for this meeting but spoke about her current project she was involved in with Rhode Island Hospital/Miriam Hospital on "Smoking Cessation". Eric referred her to the Foxborough Board of Health Regulation entitled "Restricting the Sale of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products". Pauline Zajdel added she would provide Ms. Silveire Centeis with Marilyn Edge's contact information who is the Director for the Western Bristol County and Foxborough Tobacco and Alcohol Prevention Collaborative.

Eric Arvedon concluded the discussion with Ms. Catarine Silveire Centeis at 8:25 p.m.

8:25 p.m. Paul Mullins made a motion to approve the minutes of September 11, 2017 as written. Paul Steeves seconded. All in favor, 3 – 0.

8: 27 p.m. Paul Mullins made a motion to approve the following bills:

MHOA – 1-Day Conference Fee (P.Z.)	\$150.00
RI-EHA – 1-Day Conference Fee (P.Z.)	\$150.00
Rea-Craft Press, Inc. – Inspection Forms	\$75.00
The Arc South Norfolk – September Services	\$812.83
HealthCare Options, Inc. – September Services	\$2,415.42

Paul Steeves seconded. All in favor, 3 – 0.

8:35 p.m. Health Directors Updates

The following are upcoming dates for various events:

10/2 and 10/17	CPR Courses
10/3 and 12/12	Sharps Collection by Dooley
10/11	ServSafe class by Wheelwright
10/17	MRC – TOPIC: Preparing for Winter At Brigham and Women's
11/8	FOG class by Kevin Duquette
11/9	Septic "HAULER DAY" Inspections

8:45 p.m. Paul Mullins made a motion to adjourn. Paul Steeves seconded.
All if favor, 3 – 0.

The next meeting will be October 16, 2017