

MARBLEHEAD BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES, March 8, 2016

Present: Chm. Todd Belfbecker, Helaine Hazlett, Michelle Gottlieb, Andrew Petty, Director
Also Present: Chris Stevens (Marblehead Reporter)

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

Meeting minutes of February 23rd were approved as submitted.

Joyce Redford, M.Ed., of tobacco control discussed with the Board the recent policy changes in the tobacco industry.

- Price increases in single and multiple packages of cigar products.
- One hundred cities and towns in Massachusetts have increased the legal age to 21 for purchasing tobacco.
- Forty eight cities and towns in Massachusetts have restricted the sale flavored tobacco.
- Prohibiting smoking at beaches, parks and playgrounds.

The Board decided to initiate some tobacco regulation changes for the town at the next meeting scheduled for April 5th, which will be posted as a public hearing.

MOTION to approve the release of change order retainage. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mrs. Hazlett, in favor; Ms. Gottlieb, in favor; Dr. Belfbecker, in favor.

Andrew told the Board that the new scale at the transfer station has been installed. The asbestos abatement work will be completed next week.

MOTION to approve the Waste Management contract. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mrs. Hazlett, in favor; Ms. Gottlieb, in favor; Dr. Belfbecker, in favor.

The North Shore Shared Public Health Service Program has put together an informative flyer about rats and other rodents. This is a helpful tool to educate the public. The flyer states: "clean up, seal up, trap up". There has been an increase in rodent activity in town.

New Business:

Michelle will be attending a wellness committee meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Helaine spoke about boxes being placed on the docks for fishing lines, hooks and weights. They are currently at Village St. pier. This will prevent pollution in the ocean.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Andrea Flaxer
Senior Clerk

