



Public Meeting

October 22, 2009
Grace Gouveia – Room 10
5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Duane Gregory, Ken Janson,
John Livingstone, and Mark Phillips.

Members Absent: Jerry Anathan (excused)

Staff: Brian Carlson Health Inspector
Jane Evans Health Agent

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Public Comments

Candace Nagel commended the Board of Health for allowing dogs in outdoor dining areas with a variance from the Board. Because of this Provincetown has received national attention from USA Today as well as from another publication and it's also great for the economy. There are benefits from the board's action.

New Business

208 Bradford Street – Unit 5

Appeal Health Agents Decision Regarding the Number of Bedrooms – Mr. Edward Golowka

Motion: Move to table until Mr. Golowka's arrival.

Motion: Duane Gregory Seconded: Ken Janson **Vote:** 4-0-0.

Animal Welfare Committee Requests BoH Support for Public/Pet Drinking Fountain - Candace Nagel

Ms. Nagel met with Alex Heilala, Finance Director, and found that in 1885a fund was established with a \$500 donation by Mr. Ryder for the installation of a public fountain on town hall grounds. To date, the fund has grown to \$13,000. The AWC is proposing to have a multi level (standard, handicapped and pet) fountain installed on the lawn of Town Hall. She feels that from a public health level it is important that people have access to free water in order to stay hydrated especially during the summer months.

There are no public health regulations regarding public drinking fountains. Several other committees have already voted favorably for a public drinking fountain. There used to be a public fountain with a horse trough and people drinking area located at the corner of Ryder & Bradford St. A picture of this fountain was provided by the Monument archives.

John Livingstone said that there is some evidence that the herpes simplex virus may be passed through the use of a public fountain and therefore suggested adding a spigot for people who want to fill their water bottles, thus giving them the option of not having to drink from a communal drinking fountain.

Ken Janson suggested doing it quickly while the Town Hall yard is still torn up.

Motion: Move for the BoH to support the construction of a multiple level fresh water public drinking fountain that provides a handicapped access height, standard height and dog height, also with a spigot to allow filling a water bottle.

Motion: John Livingstone Seconded: Duane Gregory Vote: 4-0-0.

208 Bradford Street – Unit 5

Edward Golowka has owned unit 5 of 208 Bradford Street for approximately 25 years. The condominium documents description of the property is 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, and an undesignated room. Mr. Golowka said that this undesignated room has been mostly used for storage and on occasion he has accommodated family visits by setting up a cot in this room for a few days.

Jane Evans reports that the room meets the definition of a bedroom by both Title 5 and local Board of Health definitions.

Duane Gregory offered Mr. Golowka the option of removing a wall to provide the required 6' opening that would allow this room to no longer be designated as a

bedroom. That option wasn't appealing to Mr. Golowka. She also suggested he look into amending the condo documents to reflect the designation of this unit as a 3 bedroom unit.

Motion: Move to uphold the Health Agent's decision that the unit be designated as a 3-bedrooms.

Motion: Duane Gregory Seconded: Ken Janson Vote: 4-0-0.

29 Bradford Street Extension – Bill White's Motel

Transfer Camps, Cabins, Motel License

This transfer was cancelled and not rescheduled.

Minutes of October 8th meeting

Motion: Move to approve as written the minutes of the October 8th Executive Session.

Motion: John Livingstone Seconded: Mark Phillips Vote: 4-0-0.

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Motion: Ken Janson Seconded: Duane Gregory Vote: 4-0-0.

Health Agent's Report

The seasonal FluMist vaccine has arrived and the in-school clinic will be held Monday October 26th. They had been promised the H1N1 vaccine but an outbreak of the swine flu in the midwest diverted all the H1N1 vaccine to that area.

Jane also gave an update on the George Bryant case.

Health Inspector's Report

Brian is working on rabies baiting. He's also working on emergency preparedness planning, i.e., coordinating volunteers and he's involved in advertising in an effort to get people to attend volunteer opportunities and get training.

He will be getting part-time help for a couple of days/week. Also the flu vaccine arrangements are taking up some of his time.

He and Jane are meeting regularly with Mark Phillips in an effort to standardize the BoH regulations.

Ken Janson said that he will soon start going to Cambridge on a regular basis but if there is something important he could come back - but - for the most part - he'll be out of town on most Thursday's.

Adjournment happened at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Rogers Gaudiano

Approved by the Board of Health on _____,2009

Duane Gregory, Chair