



CITY OF LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS  
BOARD OF HEALTH

June 26, 2019

A meeting of the Lowell Board of Health was held on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 in the Mayor's Reception Room, City Hall, 375 Merrimack St., Lowell, MA 01852. Chairwoman Jo-Ann Keegan called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

**Present:**

Jo-Ann Keegan, RN, MSN, Chairperson  
John Donovan, DC, Board Member  
William Galvin, MD, Board Member  
Lisa Golden, RN, MSN, Board Member  
Kathleen Cullen-Lutter, RN, CNM, Board Member  
Kerran Vigroux, Health & Human Services Director  
Cesar Pungirum, Tobacco Control Director  
Shawn Machado, Sr. Sanitary Code Inspector

**6/26/2019 - Minutes**

**1. NEW BUSINESS**

1.I. **For Acceptance:** Minutes of the May 8, 2019 meeting of the Board of Health.

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the June 26, 2019 meeting of the Board of Health made by William Galvin, seconded by Lisa Golden. All in favor.

1.II. **Monthly Development Services Report** submitted by Senior Sanitary Code Inspector Shawn Machado. Senior Sanitary Code Inspector Shawn Machado reviewed the reports with the Board. Mr. Machado informed the Board that the School Department pest control company will be in the schools over the summer.

1.III. **For Review:** Tobacco Control Monthly Report submitted by Cesar Pungirum, Program Director. Cesar Pungirum, Tobacco Control Director, reviewed the reports with the Board. A public hearing for Chuck's Variety for the sale of tobacco products to a minor (second offense) will be scheduled for the September 2019 meeting. Mr. Pungirum spoke to the Board regarding City Councilor Rodney Elliot's request about vaping and if vaping and flavored/menthol cigarettes should be banned within the City due to the risk to the Public's health. The Law Department has been asked by the Council to look into the laws and legalities of that direction. Discussion occurred on the subject. Mr. Pungirum can look at various scenarios and report back to the Board. Mr. Pungirum will get figures on the number of towns that have restricted these items. Director Kerran Vigroux told the Board that the City Council was favorable towards the issue due to the concern of teen usage and wants the Board to look at the regulations and if they should be more restrictive. Chairwoman Jo-Ann Keegan asked that the Health Department work with the High School regarding vaping.

1.IV. **Citizen Petition:** Regarding the Ban of Menthol/Mint Flavored Cigarette/Tobacco Products  
Dr. Lester Hartman spoke to the Board regarding the banning of menthol/flavored cigarettes. Dr. Hartman offered at no cost to make himself available to speak on the subject at Lowell High School

**1.V. Body Art Practitioner License -New**

**Motion:** To approve the Body Art Apprentice License for Jeffrey Reil made by William Galvin, seconded by Kathleen Cullen-Lutter. All in favor.

1.VI. **Communication:** From the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The Board accepted and placed on file.

1.VII. **For Review:** Trinity EMS, Inc Reports. The Board accepted and placed on file.

1.VIII. **Informational:** Zaza Ink Skin Course. The Board discussed the information provided and placed on file.

1.IX. **Communication:** Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Program. The Board reviewed and placed on file.

**2. OLD BUSINESS**

2.I. **Update:** Comprehensive Waste Hauler Regulations. The Board reviewed the provided information and placed on file.

2.II. **Update:** Service Zone Plan. Director Kerran Vigroux updated the Board on the progress of the Service Zone Plan.

**3. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

3.I. **Update:** Departmental and Divisional Reports and Updates. Director Vigroux informed the Board that the Department has started the strategic planning process which should take 4-6 months to complete. Items to be included are the mission/vision statement for the Health Department and working towards accreditation. Director Vigroux added that the City Manager has asked her to join the City Manager's Homeless Taskforce and the Homelessness Crisis Committee.

4. **MOTION:** To adjourn.

**Motion** to Adjourn was made at 7:29 PM by John Donovan, seconded by William Galvin. All in Favor

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LOWELL BOARD OF HEALTH WILL BE HELD ON  
AUGUST 7, 2019 AT 6:00 PM IN THE MAYOR'S RECEPTION ROOM.**



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**BOH HANDOUT  
6.26.19**

June 18, 2019

City of Lowell  
Health Department  
Lowell, MA 01581

Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project personnel will be in your community to respond to residents' concerns about mosquitoes in their area on the following dates in July:

**July 1, 10, 17, 24, 31**

**Any of the above dates in July are tentative**, and all dates are subject to change due to weather conditions, mosquito populations, mosquito virus activity and/or special event spraying. This program will shut down when cool night time temperatures become predominant in the area. A detailed notice about our spray schedule is posted on the CMMCP phone system after 3:30 p.m. each day, and it is also listed on our website at <http://www.cmmcp.org>, click the "2019 Spray Schedule" button on the right.

Requests for service may be recorded by calling the CMMCP office at (508) 393-3055 between 7:00 AM - 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday, or logging on to <http://www.cmmcp.org>. Results of these requests may initiate an application of mosquito insecticides to defined, site-specific areas of town. Such an application may be accomplished by using truck mounted equipment depending on the extent of the application.

Per 333CMR13.03(1)(a): "Wide Area Applications of pesticides and mosquito control applications of pesticides approved by the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board shall not be made to private property which has been designated for exclusion from such application by a person living on or legally in control of said property." For more information please check: <http://www.cmmcp.org> and click the "No Spray Info" button on the right.

Please list this information in the local newspapers and on the local cable access channels if possible. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

*Timothy D. Deschamps*

Executive Director

cc: City/Town Clerk  
Police Department