



CITY OF LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF HEALTH

May 8, 2019

A meeting of the Lowell Board of Health was held on Wednesday, May 8, 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 6:01 PM.

Present:

Jo-Ann Keegan, RN, MSN, Chairperson
John Donovan, DC, Board Member
Lisa Golden, RN, MSN, Board Member
Kathleen Cullen-Lutter, RN, CNM, Board Member
Shawn Machado, Sr. Sanitary Code Inspector

5/8/2019 – Minutes

1. NEW BUSINESS

Motion: To approve the minutes of the April 3, 2019 meeting of the Board of Health made by William Galvin, seconded by Lisa Golden.
All in favor.

1.I. **For Review:** Tobacco Control Monthly Report Submitted By Cesar Pungirum, Program Director.
The Board reviewed the report and placed on file.

1.II. **Monthly Development Services Reports** Submitted By Senior Sanitary Code Inspector Shawn Machado.
Senior Sanitary Code Inspector Shawn Machado reviewed the reports with the Board. Reports placed on file.

1.III. **For Review:** Blaqsheep Ink
The Board reviewed and accepted report.

1.IV. **For Review:** Jeffrey Riel, Pending Body Art Apprentice License.
The Board reviewed the information and determined Mr. Ries met the requirements for licensure. Mr. Ries will be sent his Apprentice License.

Motion: to take Agenda items 1.VI and 2.I out of order made by Lisa Golden, seconded by William Galvin. All in favor.

1.V. **For Review:** Yearly Operational Plans-Herbicide Application - Various Entities
The Board reviewed the submitted Yearly Operational Plans and placed on file.

1.VI. **For Review:** Trinity EMS, Inc Reports
Jon Kelley, Trinity EMS, Inc. reviewed the monthly reports with the Board. Mr. Kelley additionally provided the Board a report on nonfatal opioid related illness (ORI) calls in Lowell.

Mr. Kelley reviewed the Quarterly Report with the Board. Mr. Kelley noted that on page 5 regarding the number of Total BLS calls over 7:59 should be 385. Board Member William Galvin asked that calls that exceed 10 minutes be tracked on the report.

2. OLD BUSINESS

2.I. **Discussion:** Trinity EMS, Inc. Contract

The Board reviewed the proposed red-lined Ambulance Contract and fee schedule. Member Galvin inquired if under Section 5, there have been complaints and was advised that Trinity self-reports complaints to the State and most complaints are personality driven. Member Galvin asked that the number of complaints submitted to the State be added to the Quarterly Report.

Motion: To approve the proposed Ambulance Contract made by John Donovan, seconded by William Galvin.

Role Call

Jo-Ann Keegan - Yes
John Donovan - Yes
Lisa Golden - Yes
Kathleen Cullen-Lutter - Yes
William Galvin – Yes

Motion: To return to agenda item 1.V and the regular order of business made by Lisa Golden, seconded by John Donovan. All in favor.

2.II. **For Review:** Alternative Skin Courses In Various Localities

The Board reviewed the provided information and placed on file.

2.III. **Review:** Lawrence Training School Credentials

Maria Alcantra, Lawrence Training School, was present to address the Board.

Mark Hatch spoke to the Board regarding the classes offered at the Lawrence Training School.

Motion: To accept the class as an alternative to the required Anatomy and Physiology requirement for Body Artists performing Tattooing made by John Donovan, seconded by Kathleen Cullen-Lutter. All in favor.

2.IV. **Update:** Contract For Dr. Peter Connolly, Medical Director

The Board received the final copy of Dr. Connolly's contract and signed the document.

2.V. **Update:** Service Zone Plan.

Chairwoman Keegan updated the Board regarding the Service Zone Plan status.

3. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

3.I. **Update:** Departmental And Divisional Reports And Updates

Public Health Report

Chairwoman Jo-Ann Keegan asked that zero's be placed in the empty boxes rather than leave them blank. Member Cullen-Lutter asked about the 2018 total cases vs 2019 total cases as the numbers don't seem to be correct. Chairwoman Keegan inquired if there have been any active TB cases in 2019. Member Galvin asked for an update on the CDC findings regarding the HIV case investigation earlier in the year.

Substance Abuse Report

CO-OP report - Member Galvin inquired if the total client count decrease was due to success of the program or cuts in funding and would like to know why there is a decline.

4. **Motion:** To Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn made at 6:52 PM was made by William Galvin, seconded by John Donovan. All in favor

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LOWELL BOARD OF HEALTH WILL BE HELD ON
JUNE 12, 2019 AT 6:00 PM IN THE MAYOR'S RECEPTION ROOM.