

TOWN OF WINCHENDON
BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 6, 2018

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WINCHENDON TOWN CLERK

Members in attendance: Chairman Cloutier, Keith Kent, Edward Bond, Corey Wilson
Absent: Brian Croteau

Also in attendance: Board of Health Agent James Abare

Call to order: 7:02PM

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Minutes:

Edward Bond made a motion to approve the minutes of May 7, 2018. Corey Wilson seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-1 (Keith Kent).

Food Permits:

- #1849 Eastern Propane & Oil-Chairman Cloutier made a motion to approve a temporary permit for the Fall Festival for Eastern Propane & Oil. Corey Wilson seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-1 (Edward Bond).
- #1850 Lickity Splitz-Edward Bond made a motion to approve the food permit for Lickity Splitz. Corey Wilson seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0.
- #1843 Camelot Farms-this food permit was previously approved.
- #1846 Winchendon Senior Center-Edward Bond made a motion to approve a food permit for the Winchendon Senior Center with the fee waived. Corey Wilson seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0.
- #1851 Winchendon Community Action Center-Edward Bond made a motion to approve a food permit for the WCAC with the fee waived. Keith Kent seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0.

Invoices:

There are none at this time.

The Board took a recess at 7:14 PM. The Board reconvened at 7:27 PM.

Tobacco Regulations – request for amendment-Mark Atkinson

Mr. Mark Atkinson came forward and explained to the Board they are in the process of remodeling the Gabby's Pizza Building to open up a Vape Shop. He said he wasn't aware that a Tobacco License was required. He said he found out there is a limit of twelve licenses for the town and is requesting the Board amend the regulations.

Tobacco Agent Joan Hamlett said to open an adult smoke shop there are federal, state and local restrictions. The Board can't grant a variance in the regulations. She explained how when a license is not renewed the license is permanently retired. The only thing the Board can do is they would have to publicize they are looking at changing the regulations. This would include a public hearing to get feedback. This would take at least a few months.

There was discussion about the Tobacco Agent Joan Hamlett checking to see if Gabby's can turn in their license since it's in the same building. Since the business is not out of business, she will check if they can transfer their tobacco license. Joan Hamlett is going to check on this to see if it can be done. Mr. Atkinson said he is not sure if they are even willing to do this.

Chairman Lionel Cloutier said we need to stand by our regulation. We can't just do it for one business.

Joan Hamlett said there are no variance procedures in the regulations.

Chairman Cloutier said he would like to get the next few meeting dates approved by the Board members. They are: September 5, 2018, October 1, 2018, November 5, 2018 and December 3, 2018. There Board members agreed to the dates. The Board discussed changing the times of meetings but decided they will stay with the time they have now.

Adjourn:

Edward Bond made a motion to adjourn. Corey Wilson seconded the motion. Vote: 4-0-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Debra Dennis
Recording Secretary

