

**TOWN OF WINCHENDON
BOARD OF HEALTH
October 17, 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

Members in Attendance: Keith Kent, Lionel Cloutier, Glenn LaRochelle and Tina Santos.

Absent: Edward Bond

Also Present: James Abare, Health Agent

Call to Order: 4:00pm

Pledge

Tina Santos made a motion to put agenda items food permits and invoices first. Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes.

Food Permits:

Tina Santos read the following temporary food permits for the Fall Festival who are non-profit and have requested the fee be waived. Temporary food permit #2270 for Heal Winchendon, #2271 Winchendon CAC, #2272 Growing Places and #2273 Winchendon Kiwanis Club.

Lionel Cloutier made a motion to approve the temporary food permits stated above and waive the fee. Tina Santos seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes.

Tina Santos read the following temporary food permits for the Fall Festival who have paid the \$25.00 fee. Temporary food permit #2274 Canterbury Kettle Corn, #2275 Double D Concessions, #2278 Pop Sweet Hearts, #2279 Murphy's Sugar Shack, #2280 Theara Spicy Kitchen and #2284 Hills Home Market.

Tina Santos made a motion to approve temporary food permits #2275, #2278, #2279, #2280 and #2284. Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes.

Cumberland Farms #26672-Tina Santos said this is food permit #2276 for Cumberland Farms with the fee paid. No notes or violations. Chair Kent asked the Health Agent to speak to the manager about dust issue on the lettering on the right side of the cash register. **Tina Santos made a motion to approve food permit #2276 for Cumberland Farms with the stipulation that the Health Agent inform the manager of the dust issue on the lettering over the counter and Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes**

Family Dollar #2255- Tina Santos said this is a food permit #2277. There were numerous ceiling tiles and the manager reports a slow leak on the north corner. Chair Kent read a roof

repair report update given to the Board by the owner. Chair Kent stated he was upset that the owner of the building didn't have a representative attend the meeting. Lionel Cloutier said we have to pay attention when the wet weather comes. **Lionel Cloutier made a motion to approve food permit #2277 for Family Dollar #2255 and ask that a representative or property manager attend the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Tina Santos. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes**

Piping Plover Baking Company LLC- Tina Santos said this is a food permit #2281 for a residential kitchen and the fee has been paid. **Lionel Cloutier made a motion to approve food permit #2281 for Piping Plover Baking Company LLC and Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes**

Nancy Romanowski- Tina Santos said this is a food permit #2282 for a residential kitchen and the fee has been paid. **Tina Santos made a motion to approve food permit #2282 for Nancy Romanowski and Lionel Cloutier seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes**

Camelot Farms-Tina Santos said this is food permit #2283 for Camelot Farms and the fee has been paid. There is a note concerning the three bay sink not being installed. James Abare said it should be completed in the next few weeks. Tina Santos said it's good it is moving forward. James Abare said he has no problem extending this permit. **Lionel Cloutier made a motion to extend food permit #2283 for Camelot Farms for sixty days and Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes.**

Willow Berry Bakery-Tina Santos said this is a food permit for a residential kitchen. Food permit #2285 for Willow Berry Bakery. There are no notes and the fee has been paid. **Lionel Cloutier made a motion to approve food permit #2285 for Willow Berry Bakery and Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Lionel Cloutier yes, and Keith Kent yes.**

Lionel Cloutier made a motion to take agenda item #5 Disposal System Construction Permit One Year Extension-6 Royalston Road South out of order and Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Lionel Cloutier yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Tina Santos yes, and Keith Kent yes.

Disposal System Construction Permit One Year Extension-6 Royalston Road South

Mitchell Lorden for Benjamin Builders came forward. He said he is looking for an extension of the septic system for 6 Royalston Road South. Health Agent James Abare said this is an application to install a septic system that has already been approved which is good for three years that the Board can give a one-year extension. Chair Kent said there is no legal requirement to notify abutters since this has been previously approved. **Lionel Cloutier made a motion to approve a one-year extension for the septic system at 6 Royalson Road South and Glenn**

LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Lionel Cloutier yes, Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, and Keith Kent yes.

Chair Update:

Chair Kent said as of October 13, 2022 the Mass Department of Public Health has release the following information. The positivity rate for Winchendon has been consistent with 11% plus for the last five weeks. Phillipston has increased to 22.58%, Gardner has dropped to 10.2%, Templeton has increased to 10.18% from 9.03%, Westminster has dropped from 15% to 10%, Athol has dropped from 9.52% to 6.74% and Hubbardston has dropped from 13.39% to 8.91%.

Chair Kent said overall the positivity rate has dropped from 10.9% to 9.75%. The Commonwealth average is 7.87%. There are free covid test kits located at the Town Managers office for residents of Winchendon.

Tina Santos questioned if they were going to hand out test kits at the Fall Festival. Chair Kent said they will set up a table and hand out masks and test kits at the fall town meeting since it is an indoor event.

Meeting Minutes:

Lionel Cloutier made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 12, 2022 as presented and Tina Santos seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Lionel Cloutier yes, Tina Santos yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, and Keith Kent yes.

Patty Stanko-Library Program Announcement

Ms. Stanko came forward to inform the Board of the launch at the Fall Fest of an all town read. Hey Kiddo is the graphic novel that will be available in different places in town. The author is coming to town April 28, 2023. This is a book about addiction. She said the Board of Health might be interested in letting people know about it. There are flyers that will be handed out at the Fall Fest with a list of workshops.

Invoices:

BOH Recording Secretary-Lionel Cloutier made a motion to pay the Recording Secretary for the September 12, 2022 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Glenn LaRochelle. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Lionel Cloutier yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Tina Santos yes, and Keith Kent yes

Lionel Cloutier made a motion to pay the Recording Secretary for the June 13, 2022 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Glenn LaRochelle. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Lionel Cloutier yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Tina Santos abstained, and Keith Kent yes.

James Abare-Lionel Cloutier made a motion to reimburse James Abare for his Sanitarian license renewal in the sum of \$67.55 and Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Lionel Cloutier yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Tina Santos yes, and Keith Kent yes.

Adjourn:

Lionel Cloutier made a motion to adjourn and Glenn LaRochelle seconded the motion. No discussion. Roll Call Vote: Lionel Cloutier yes, Glenn LaRochelle yes, Tina Santos yes, and Keith Kent yes.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25pm.

Respectfully submitted

Debra Dennis

Minutes Approved: 12/05/2024

Keith Kent

Keith Kent, Chair

Edward Bond-absent

Lionel Cloutier

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Tina Santos

Tina Santos

Glenn LaRochelle