

TOWN OF FRANKLIN
Board of Health Minutes for March 1, 2016

Present at meeting:

Bruce J. Hunchard, Chairman
Philip Brunelli, Member – not attending
Donald Raneiri, Member

David McKearney, Health Director
Virginia McNeil, Health Agent-not
attending
Liz Hoey, Health Inspector – not attending
Mary Ellen Ficco, Administrative Asst.

A motion was made by Mr. Raneiri and seconded by chairman Hunchard to accept the February 2, 2016 meeting minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

Smoking regulation amendments. The Health Director presented a set of updated smoking bylaws which were revised based on input received from the State. For example:

- The term “tobacco and nicotine delivery products” has been changed to “tobacco products”
- The term “Health Care institution” was inserted. This will affect any place of business currently selling tobacco products that also has an optometrist or ophthalmologist within the same location (i.e. BJ’s)
- The term: “fee to be determined annually” in place of stating a specific annual fee (i.e. \$150.00).

Effective date is July 1, 2016. The open hearing is scheduled for May 3, 2016 in the Council Chambers.

Biotechnology permit and application. Based on research the Health Director did, it is the responsibility of the company to determine if they need to complete an application and get a permit from the Franklin BOH. If they decide they need a permit, they must provide us with information twice a year what type of business they conduct that requires them to have a permit.

Chairman opens the floor for any other old business. There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Endorsed Limited Site Plan, 135 Constitution Blvd., Cold Chain Technologies. The Board reviewed the Limited Site Plan and voted approval subject to municipal water and sewer connection and proper dumpster placement.

National Grid 45-Day Yearly Operational Plan Public Notice, review and comment. The Board Chairman reviewed the plan; no further action was required. A copy of the plan is on file in the Health Dept. for anyone wishing to read it.

HEALTH DIRECTOR REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2016

The Health Director and Health Agent provided details to the Board regarding activities of the Health Department for the month of February.

The Board Chairman as if there was additional new business.

Mr. Raneiri had some questions about the ZIKA virus which were answered by the Health Director. He then followed with some questions about the biotechnology firms located in Franklin. The Health Director provided Mr. Raneiri with some reference material for his reference and telephone numbers he can call for further clarification.

The Board chairman asked if there was any other new business. There was none.

A motion was made to adjourn by Chairman Hunchard, seconded by Mr. Raneiri and voted unanimously by the Board.

The next Board of Health meeting will be held Monday, April 4, 2016 at 10:00 am.

Transcribed by Mary Ellen Ficco, Admin. Asst. for the Franklin Health Department.