# CITY OF SALEM BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES

### **November 8, 2022**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeremy Schiller, Chair, Paul Kirby, Datanis Elias, Sara Moore,

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Geraldine Yuhas

**OTHERS PRESENT:** David Greenbaum, Health Agent, Suzanne Darmody, Public Health Nurse, Joyce Redford, Director, North Shore/Cape Ann Tobacco/Alcohol Policy Program, Eric Stone, Owner, Vapor Outlet

### **TOPIC**

### **DISCUSSION/ACTION**

1. Call to Order

7:01pm

2. Approval of Minutes

(October 11, 2022)

S. Moore motioned to approve the minutes. P. Kirby 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Roll call vote:**

J. Schiller - yes

P. Kirby – yes

S. Moore - yes

D. Elias – yes

Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

3. Eric Stone – Vapor Outlet, Appeal of violation of Regulation #24

Mr. Stone appeared for an appeal hearing and withdrew his appeal. J. Schiller advised Mr. Stone that he has a right to appeal an order of the Board but should there be a violation in the future the Board has no discretion and that the penalty is prescribed in the regulation.

- D. Greenbaum informed the Board that Joyce Redford will be officially starting in Salem on December 1, 2022.
- S. Moore asked about Delta-8 products and why they are not regulated.
- J. Redford explained they are regulated but no one is enforcing this. These products should be regulated by MDAR. How they get the THC out of Hemp to make the Delta products they have to synthetically modify it. The farm bill removed Hemp from being a controlled substance, but it was meant to make clothes, shoes and the like, not to be manipulated into something else. There is a serious issue with these products. Additional discussion took place about CBD and other substances like Cratom.
- J. Redford informed the Board that she would be working with the City Solicitor in Lynn to write draft model regulations for cities and towns to adopt for the enforcement against the sale of marijuana-based products.
- 4. Regulation Concerning Deceptive Advertising Practices of Limited Services Pregnancy Centers
- J. Schiller explained Assistant City Solicitor Vickie Caldwell was supposed to be present to discuss but could not attend the meeting. He suggested making a motion to table this until a future meeting that she could attend.
- S. Moore motioned to table this agenda item until a future meeting. P. Kirby, Second

### **Roll call vote:**

- J. Schiller yes
- P. Kirby yes
- S. Moore yes
- D. Elias yes

solution.

### Motion passed by a vote of 4-0

### 5. Chairperson Communications

J. Schiller updated the board on the status of the vending machines for emergency contraceptives and other public health items. He brought up some of the concerns regarding these machines, such as, what child will be coming to City Hall to access these machines? J. Schiller asked would it be possible to do an outdoor kiosk and it was explained that due to temperature control on some products this would not be feasible.

D. Greenbaum explained that a representative of the company for the machines the City would like to purchase explained how they work. There is a need for electricity and Wi-Fi so in a building is probably the best

# 6. Public Health Announcements /Reports/Updates

## a. Public Health Nurse Report

- S. Darmody informed the Board that the school family flu/COVID clinics are going well and that the regional group is holding COVID booster clinics in Beverly, Danvers, and Salem.
- S. Moore asked about the bi-valent COVID boosters for young adults, those under 12 years of age. She tried to register her daughter for a booster through the schools and kept getting information from the schools. When she checked all the appointments were full. S. Darmody explained that when people tried to sign up ahead of time it said the appointments were full.

### b. Health Agent Report

- D. Greenbaum advised the Board of his upcoming time off.
- J. Schiller asked should the Mayor win the election what that would mean for the Board. Would any member whose term is expiring need to be reappointed?
- D. Greenbaum explained that he did not foresee any changes until after the new administration was elected. J. Schiller stated he would like to ensure that the Board remains intact.
- D. Greenbaum recommended that once the interim Mayor and a new administration are in place, he and Dr. Schiller meet with them to discuss the status of the Board of Health.
- D. Greenbaum provided the board with the current expiration dates of their terms.

### c. Administrative Report

Copy available at BOH office.

# d. Council Liaison Updates

M. Riccardi was not in attendance. No updates

- 7. New Business/Scheduling of Future Agenda Items
  - Items that could not be anticipated prior to the posting of the agenda

# **MEETING ADJOURNED:**

P. Kirby moved to adjourn. D. Elias 2<sup>nd</sup>.

# **Roll call vote:**

J. Schiller – yes P. Kirby – yes S. Moore – yes D. Elias - yes

Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

7:33PM

Respectfully submitted,

David Greenbaum Health Agent

Next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 7:00pm

At City Hall Annex, 98 Washington Street, 1st Floor, Salem, MA