

## Board of Health – Town of Spencer *Minutes*

## Board of Health Meeting Monday, December 4, 2017 at 6:30 PM Conference Room B Memorial Town Hall

Board of Health Members present: Rodney Foisy (Chair), Dan Shields, Robert Bradshaw

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes:

November 13, 2017 – A motion to approve the minutes (Shields/Foisy) passed

2/0.

**Grant from Worcester Regional Housing:** Mr. Jarvis said he received a \$20,000.00 grant to assist with the demolition of the house at 20 Mechanic Street. The town has owned it for the last three years. The town will demolish the house and construct a parking lot.

**Donation Box Regulations:** The Board decided to accept the regulations. *A motion to accept the donation box regulations (Foisy/Bradshaw) passed 3/0.* The Regulations will go into effect on February 1, 2018.

**Tobacco Regulations:** Ali Hodroj, owner of Spencer Sunoco, Craig Walker, owner of Spencer Package Store, and Raj Patel, owner of Laney's Variety, feel that the new Tobacco Regulations did not give enough publicity and time to get rid of their inventory. Mr. Hodroj said he is hoping the town will agree to allow the stores to sell the flavored tobacco products. Mr. Shields said these regulations come from the State. Mr. Hodroj said people are going to go somewhere else to buy their products and these stores will lose business. Mr. Walker said he is all for raising the age to 21 to buy tobacco products but taking away the flavor products should have been done later. One thing at a time; raise the age first then take away the products. Mr. Jarvis said regulations cannot be made less stringent; they can only be made more stringent. A motion allowing Mr. Jarvis to check with Worcester Tobacco Coalition in changing the effective date of the Tobacco Regulations from January 1, 2018 to April 1, 2018 (Foisy/Bradshaw) passed 3/0.

**Ethics Exam:** Mr. Jarvis reminded the Board that they need to take their Ethics Exam and submit it to Laura Torti, Town Clerk.

A motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. (Foisy/Shields) passed 3/0.

## Documents Reviewed at 12/4/17 Board of Health Meeting

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**Donation Box Regulations** 

Tobacco Regulations

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Daoust, Senior Clerk Development & Inspectional Services