



## CITY OF GARDNER

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To: **Jennifer A. Susen-Roy, BA. - Health Director**  
**Dr. John Mulqueen, Chairperson**  
**Susan Avallone, Member**  
**Atty. Geoffrey Tobia, Member**

**Minutes for Board of Health meeting held on Monday, February 26, 2018**

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**5:10 Meeting called to order**

**5:11 Minutes dated December 18, 2017 review one word change, sign.  
No meeting in January 2018.**

**5:12 Old business: Emergency Dispensing Site Drill. The parties present at the EDS drill on 2/22/2018 at Waterford Street School, were as follows:**  
**Board of Health, Jennifer Susen-Roy, Lauren Saunders, and Dr. Mulqueen**  
**Fire Department, Lt Hulette, and Philip Brady**  
**Police Department, Deputy Chief Bernard, and Lt. Braks**  
**Principal, Daniel Hill**  
**Facility's manager, Wayne Anderson**  
**School Nurse Leader, Rebecca McCaffrey**  
**Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Sara Darlagiannis**

**The board discussed how the drill went. The drill acted as a “walk through”, they planned out which rooms would be designated for whatever services would need to be provided during an actual event, and which door people would utilize upon arrival. In order to understand the workings of the “Incident Command Center”, it was suggested that the board members as well as the key players take the Incident Command Center course. There is no cost for the incident command center course. They spoke about where the vaccines would be stored if vaccines were needed. Jennifer will look into purchasing a new refrigerator for the board of health, whereas the previously purchased vaccine refrigerators at the BOH are no longer working.**

**Smoke shops: Sue asked Jennifer about the progress of going to council (based on the request of the Mayor to present a draft ordinance that would be supported by council) to discuss limiting the amount of smoke shops allowed in the city. Jennifer said that she has not gone before the council to ask for capping limiting of tobacco permits. Jennifer reported that the zoning regulations are under review. The regulations will go through two rounds before council, then it goes before the zoning board. The last step will be a public hearing on the regulations.**

**In regards to the issue around cannabis, the zoning regulations are as follows: Recreational cannabis will only be sold in certain approved areas of the city. They will be restricted from down town, and not allowed near rehabilitation hospitals, or any establishments that have pouring licenses, any sober houses, schools, or playgrounds. Jennifer will confirm that the amounts of recreational marijuana stores allowed to operate in the city cannot exceed 20% of the package store licenses in the city of Gardner. This does not include pouring licenses, clubs or restaurants. The city of Gardner has 10 package store licenses, so that means that there can only be 2 retail recreational marijuana stores in the city. The City of Gardner will only be able to have one medicinal marijuana facility, and that facility cannot be located near an establishment that has a pouring license for liquor, which means a restaurant that serves and pours alcoholic drinks.**

**Jennifer reported that John Flick, city solicitor, has asked his assistant to find out more information about the Getty BP Station issue that was spoken about in November's 2017 meeting.**

**On the budget: Jennifer reported to the board that the only change to the FY19 budget is an added line item for emergency relocation of \$10,000.00. All reports for DEP for the Transfer Station, and mattress recycling grants were submitted before February 15, 2018.**

**New Business: Jennifer reported that she is still going to housing court in Worcester for 142 Pleasant Street with the Attorney General's office. The AG Office is trying to get a receivership for 142 Pleasant Street. The owner paid off one of his liens and was able to get a building permit to work on the house. There is a status hearing in Worcester housing court set for April 25, 2018 to discuss the owner's progress on this property. The owner promises that he is going to get the work done so the judge put everything on a time line and would not grant receivership at this time.**

**The Maki building is slated for demolition. Jennifer informed the board that the company taking down the building will have to have porta pottys, a pest control report, an asbestos abatement report, as well as a dumpster. During the take down they will have to keep the area wet to keep the dust down. The traffic will have to be re-routed, and Jennifer will work with Waste Management to ensure the trash pickup is not interrupted.**

**Susan wanted to let Jennifer know that she appreciates the "all call" if there is an interruption in trash pickup.**

**5:30 Set next meeting for March 26, 2018, adjourn.**

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**Dr. Mulqueen MD, Chairperson**

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**Susan Avallone, Member**

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**All conversations are documented on recording identified as B.O.H February 26, 2018**