



## CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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MAYOR

PAULETTE RENAULT-CARAGIANES  
DIRECTOR

### MINUTES BOARD OF HEALTH Regular Meeting

October 18, 2012  
5:00 pm  
City Hall Annex Conference Room

**Present:** Paulette Renault-Caragianes (Health Director)  
Dr. Brian Green, Board Member (Chair)  
Babette Mello, Board Member  
Paula Machado, Board Member  
Kathy Henkle (Recording Secretary)

**Absent:** None

**Staff Members in Attendance:** Cory Mashburn

**Guests:** 3 Nursing Students from various colleges to observe meeting

**Meeting Called to Order:** by Dr Green and seconded by Ms. Mello at 5:09 pm.

**Previous Minutes:** On a motion made by Dr. Green and seconded by Ms. Mello:  
*"The September 20, 2012 Minutes were approved as circulated."* **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Variance Request:** None

**MAHB:** Certificate Training will be held in Taunton and Marlborough November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Board members must notify Ms. Henkle by Monday, October 22, 2012 in order to process a purchase order for payment to attend training.

**Grease Trap Regulations:** due to the on-going pilot program for rodent control, the grease trap regulations will be discussed at a future meeting.

**Restaurant Inspections – October 2012 (Partial from 10/2 through 10/11):** The restaurant inspections were reviewed by the board.

**Health Department Updates:** Cory Mashburn came in front of the Board to get their support to oppose Question #3 – Medical Marijuana. Dr. Green made a motion to make a statement that the Somerville Board of Health does not support Ballot Question #3. (Medical Use of Marijuana). Ms. Mello seconded it. A vote was taken – All were in favor.

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Flu Clinics are up and running. They are being held every Thursday from 5 to 7pm at the Somerville City Hall Annex. At least 3 clinics were held at senior centers. The state would like the local health departments to do outreach and try to vaccinate the uninsured but are still allowed to vaccinate everyone regardless if they have insurance or not. We have also been working with our community partners offering vaccines at churches that have large immigrant populations. Appointments are available upon request, if unable to make the clinics.

Shape-Up-Director Position – interviews have commenced and hopefully the position will be filled in the next couple of weeks.

On a motion made by Ms. Mello and seconded by Ms. Machado, *“The Health Updates were approved as circulated”*

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Next Meeting:** November 15, 2012 @ 5:00 pm.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Dr. Green to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 pm, seconded by Ms. Machado.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Henkle (Recording Secretary)  
October 23, 2012