

Board of Health Working Group / Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
January 29, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
Ashland Town Hall, 101 Main Street, Ashland, MA
Second Floor Meeting Room

Ronald Etskovitz, Vice Chairman
Koduvayur Narayana, Clerk
Mark Oram, Agent/Director

Jon A. Fetherston, Member
Judith Margulies, Member

Members of the Subcommittee Present:

Ronald Etskovitz, Koduvayur Narayana

Others Present:

Judith Margulies
Mark Dassoni

Call to Order

Mr. Etskovitz called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM and expressed his apologies for the delayed start.

Mark Dassoni and Judith Margulies inquired if the public was allowed to participate and Mr. Etskovitz ruled that there is no participation during the work group discussion, however, they could speak at the beginning of the work group session.

Public members inquired about what existing information will be used to prepare the report for the Board of Health. Mr. Narayana responded that existing data from the MA DPH for prior years and the latest summary report of food inspections of the Town of Ashland will be used. Mr. Etskovitz advised them not to further engage the work group in any discussion during the work session and ended public participation.

Work group members reviewed the data set from the 2014 Summary Report by MA DPH to legislators and agreed that Mr. Narayana will put the data in Excel format to gather relevant data pertaining to the food inspections and the number of food inspections by staff. Mr. Narayana also offered to seek relevant food inspection related data from neighboring municipalities. It was also agreed to review Ashland 2016 summary report of the food inspections. Next meeting was scheduled for 2 Feb 2018. Mr. Etskovitz agreed to write up the minutes for this meeting and will have Laura to post the agenda for the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm

ASHLAND BOARD OF HEALTH WORKING GROUP SUBCOMMITTEE

DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AT THE 1/29/2018 MEETING

(All items stored in the Board of Health files unless otherwise noted)

1. Published agenda of the 29 Jan 2018 meeting
2. Justification document presented to the Board of Health
3. Published MA DPH report to legislators 2014 - DPH FY14 Report
4. Annual Summary Report of food inspection by Ashland 2016
5. Summary Data about food inspections statistics provided by Laura Clifford for the year 2017