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**North Reading Board of Health Meeting Minutes  
January 22, 2020  
North Reading Town Hall, Room 14**

**Members Present:** Gary Hunt, Chairman  
Pamela Vath  
Karen Martin

**Others Present:** Robert Bracey, Health Agent North Reading  
Ron Beauregard, Tobacco Control Agent  
Anthony and Mary Mottolo, John Zanni Pumping  
Attorney Joseph Spinale, Mike's Famous Roast Beef & Pizza Hearing

**7:00 PM**

Gary Hunt opened the meeting

**Minutes**

Members reviewed the minutes from October 17, 2019.

**Karen Martin motioned** to approve the minutes for October 17, 2019.

**Motion was seconded by Pam Vath.**

**Unanimously in favor, minutes approved.**

Member's reviewed the minutes from November 21, 2019.

**Pam Vath motioned** to approve the minutes for November 21, 2019

**Motion was seconded by Gary Hunt.**

**Unanimously in favor, minutes approved.**

Member's reviewed the minutes from December 5, 2019

**Karen Martin motioned** to approve the minutes for December 5, 2019

**Motion was seconded by Pam Vath.**

**Unanimously in favor, minutes approved.**

**Public Comment**

None

**Administrators Report**

None

**Community Health Liaison Report**

None



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**Community Impact Team Report**

None

**Mikes' Famous Roast Beef & Pizza**

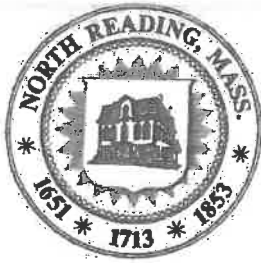
Gary opened the hearing for this establishment. Mr. Bracey gives the background of what has happened to this point, lack of renewal application, "Order Notice to Correct" as well as an application turned in on 1/6/2020 that contained Mr. Panousos LLC. Att. Joseph Spinale is the Attorney for Mike's Famous Roast Beef and Pizza and reports that he has seen the pictures of some of the violations, those have been addressed and fixed. Allison O'Brien is the current manager and has been since the summer. She has been a leading role in getting the violations fixed as well as submitting the food application renewal forms. Mr. Emanuel Panousos has been sentenced to serve 21 months in prison and has reported there at this time. Mike's employs 24 people that are affected by these events. Mr. E. Panousos does not want to sell the business as the income is used for his child support for his three children. According to Att. Joseph Spinale Mr. E. Panousos does not have anything to do with the business at this time. A gentleman from Liberty Bell in Billerica has offered to help run/ manage the business. Mr. E. Panousos has had six (6) scheduled meetings with Mr. Bracey and did not show up for four (4) of them, the other meetings were rescheduled for various reasons. Mike's Roast Beef and Pizza turned in an application for Common Vic with the LLC belonging to Mr. Panousos. Food Renewal Application was received at the Health Department on 1/6/2020 with Therodora Panousos (Emanuel's Mother) as the owner with Mr. E. Panousos's LLC. The Board of Health cannot accept a renewal application, it has to be a new application. The last date for a renewal application of 12/31/2019 has passed.

**John Zanni Pumping Company**

In September the Health Department received a call stating that Mr. Mottolo was doing work on 13 Burditt Rd. Since Mr. Mottolo is not a North Reading Licensed Installer, he was issued an Order to stop work and a \$100.00 Fine. Mr. Zanni has two trucks that he uses and disposal of the waste is done at Greater Lawrence Treatment Plant. The vehicles are stored at the same place as Service Pump and Drain, Mr. Mottolo's father's company.

**Public Health Nurse Update**

As of January 1, 2020 there have been 30 reported cases of the flu. These cases do not include the doctors' offices that test with a quick strip as those are not reported to the State. Novel Coronavirus from China should not be an issue here. Regarding Measles there was a small issue though not resolved and nothing more has come up. There was one (1) case of the mumps reported, but it was later determined to not be active disease, therefore there was no



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need of follow-up. There was a report from the North Reading Fire Department of a potential cluster of gastrointestinal illness at Meadow View. The cluster at Meadowview is an organism which is not reportable to the state DPH, therefore we were not notified by MAVEN. DPH would reach out to us if they deemed it necessary to do some investigation or surveillance in the community. At this time they did not see any such need. A cluster is defined as an increase in illness above what is expected for a facility with regard to place and time, regardless of any positive or negative laboratory test results.

Regarding the PFAS in drinking water article printed in Transcript. Mr. Bracey to work with Mr. Clark on announcements to the general public regarding health effects in water.

**Plastic Bag Ban**

The Ban is currently in affect as of January 1, 2020. North Reading has granted a 90 day transition period to the businesses; the 90 days will bring us to March 31, 2020. During the transition businesses will be trained on the bags that may be used. We have had great response to the change already.

**Modernization Grant**

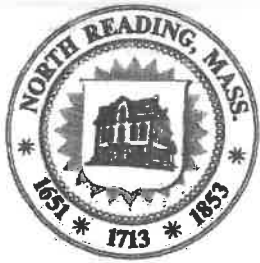
The Health Department received a grant good through June 30, 2020 to use a tablet for food inspections. With this software the Inspector will be able to share photos and email the inspection findings directly to the businesses. The program will also speed up the process allowing for more inspections to be done.

**Tobacco Update**

Ron Beauregard, Tobacco Control Agent gave an update relating to the retail sale of vape products. All Vapes that are over 35milligrams per milliliter are only allowed to be sold in Over 21 smoking bars. North Reading has prohibited smoking bars in the town. All sales of flavored or flavor enhancer cartridges will be allowed in Over 21 smoking bars only as of June 1, 2020. Retailers are only allowed to advertise the products that they can sell. Retailers are not allowed to use any advertisements that have a mascot, cartoon or actor on their ads. Retailers may not have any Vape related products on the counter, they must be behind the counter. Warning signs must be posted and must require ID from all that purchase.

**Martin Fair Memorial**

Gary Hunt brought up the topic of creating a Memorial for Mr. Martin Fair. Mr. Bracey will discuss the idea of a play structure with Rita Mullen.




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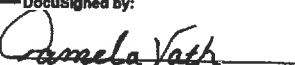
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**Karen Martin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm**  
**Motion seconded by Gary Hunt**  
**All members voted unanimously in favor.**

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