

The Board of Health meeting came to order at 7:30 pm August 1, 2007 in the Health Department office of the Health Department. Present at the meeting were Tim Tierney, Maurine Garipay, Joe DiPietro, Ruth Clay, and Cheryl Sbarra (attorney for Massachusetts Association for Health Boards).

Minutes of May, 2007 were approved unanimously as submitted.

Proposed Administrative Code: Clay gave the Board a copy of the proposed administrative code with her comments. Cheryl Sbarra answered questions about legal authority of the Board and how it related to the proposed language. The Board agreed unanimously on one addition to the section on the Board, the deletion of the Health Department as part of the Community Services Division, and a number of wording changes.

Other business: Clay told the Board that she was partially finished with proposed revisions to the existing Massage Regulations. She requested that Cheryl Sbarra find the answers to a few questions based on the passage of the Chapter 135 of the Acts of 2006 An Act Relative to the Licensure of Massage Therapists and noted that the state's Board of Registration has not yet been established.

A discussion was held concerning some local boards of health passing local regulations banning transfats. Clay said that she had almost completed the 2007 Annual Report and would send it by e-mail for review when it was completed. Applications for the Canine Control Officer close on August 3. Clay noted that she had received and interviewed a number of qualified candidates and hoped to have someone start this month. Themes for the Victorian Fair were discussed with Emergency Preparedness and Animal Control to be this year's themes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Ruth Clay