

TOWN OF HARWICH



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**TOWN OF HARWICH BOARD OF HEALTH  
MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019-10:00 AM  
HARWICH TOWN HALL – DONN B GRIFFIN ROOM  
MINUTES**

BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairwoman Pamela Howell, R.N., Matthew Cushing, M.D. and Member Sharon Pflieger

BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS ABSENT: Member Ronald Dowgiallo, D.M.D.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Health Director Meggan Eldredge, Senior Health Agent Kathleen Tenaglia & Executive Assistant Jennifer Clarke

OTHERS PRESENT: Irene Bourne, Robert Bourne, Gary Bourne, Parim Patel, Paresh Patel & others

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**I CALL TO ORDER**

Chairwoman Howell called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m.

**II BOARD OF HEALTH WORK SESSION**

**A. Continued Review of Draft Tobacco Regulations to include a restriction on flavored tobacco products  
(continued from August 13, 2019 meeting)**

Health Director Eldredge presented the Board with a 5<sup>th</sup> draft of the tobacco regulations. She reviewed the regulations in their entirety including all changes that were made at the August 13, 2019 Board of Health meeting.

Member Ronald Dowgiallo provided his comments via e-mail to the Health Department staff.

Health Director Eldredge stated she would urge the Board to give an effective date of 60 to 90 days in order to allow retailers to sell out of their product and not re-order.

As of today, Health Department staff has not received additional information from Sarah McColgan regarding clarity on definitions.

The Board agreed that the total number of retail tobacco permits issued by the Board of Health will be capped at 16. The total number of adult only tobacco stores has not been finalized.

**Dr. Cushing moved to direct Health Department staff to schedule a public hearing to be held on September 10, 2019 to solicit public comment on the tobacco regulations, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Pflieger and approved 3-0-0.**

**III OTHER**

No other agenda items were discussed.

X      **ADJOURN** -The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Ms. Pfleger moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Cushing and approved 3-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Clarke

Next meeting is Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Small Hearing Room.

Documents included in August 19, 2019 Board of Health Meeting Packet:

- August 19, 2019 Board of Health Agenda
- Fifth Draft of Regulations of the Harwich Board of Health Restricting the Sale of Tobacco Products
- Any other documents that were submitted for/at the August 19, 2019 Board of Health meeting