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HEALTH DEPARTMENT
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WEBSTER BOARD OF HEALTH

BOARD OF HEALTH PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES – APRIL 1, 2019

Attending
Dave Zalewski
Iwona Miller
James Avery
Janet Stoica
Absent
Matthew Wyke

Also in attendance: Jennifer Sullivan – Director of Public Health and Danyel Guiou – Senior Clerk

Meeting called to order 5:00 pm

NEW BOARD BUSINESS

Public Hearing – Nail Salon Regulations
Chairman, Mr. Zalewski opened the meeting with the explanation of the purpose of the implementation of adopting Nail Salon regulation in the Town of Webster. After opening up discussion to the audience, many questions and concerns from the business owners were talked about as follows:

- Cost of any changes/addition such as a new ventilation system
- Loss of business/potential closing of the business
- Many business owners rent and must confirm with their landlord they can make changes to their building
- The State already inspects the establishment and never had issues with ventilation systems.

The public voiced their opinion explaining that if they found the salon to be dirty that they would no longer go there. It was also mentioned that getting your nails done is a luxury, which means it is their choice to have this done, they are not being forced. Lori Ducharme, from Prestige Nails, explained the dangers that are not realized or understood when getting your nails/toes done at a salon. She explained the potential risks a diabetic could face if the tools used were not cleaned properly.

Implementing the regulations will not only enforce the safety of the public, but also for the workers who are exposed to the chemicals and smells on a day to day basis.

The Health Director advised that all specification sheets from the ventilation systems will need to be reviewed through the Board of Health Department prior to any work being done on the buildings.

Motion to approve the regulations as written and to be put into effect one year from today’s date – Janet Stoica
Second – Dave Zalewski

2-2 vote to approve the regulations as written and put into effect one year from today’s date

Motion to amend and eliminate Section 7, Article 1 A-C and approve the regulations as written
Second – Iwona Miller

2-2 vote to amend and eliminate Section 7, Article 1 A-C and approve the regulations as written

ADJOURN

Motion – to adjourn meeting at 5:57 pm – Dave Zalewski
Second – Iwona Miller
3-1 Vote to adjourn meeting at 5:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Danyel Guiou
Senior Clerk
Town of Webster
Approved Date: 6/10/2019

Cc: Board of Health Members
    Town of Webster Website
    Town Clerk