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BOH: Minutes from the Board Meeting on January 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 4:30. The Members in attendance: Board Chairperson, Dr. Andrade, and then Eno Mondesir (Exec. Health Officer, Ex. Officio); Mr. Fiske was not able to attend; therefore we had no quorum.

Ref.: Also, in attendance were: ISD Deputy Commissioner William Forte, representing the City, James Doucette, ISD Inspector, Sarah McColgan, from MHOA (Mass Health Officers Association), Dr. Victor Sebastian, new BOH Epidemiologist, and attorney Philip Nessralla, representing his client, Mr. Patel (who was in attendance as well), business owner of Cigar and More, located at: 530 Forest Avenue, looking to relocate to 423 Belmont Street.

I briefly welcomed the members and then introduced Dr. Andrade who led the meeting. Given that we had no quorum, there was no vote to approve the minutes for the December 7, minutes.

Then, Dr. Andrade welcome everyone attending this meeting, and further stated that, as for the hearing with attorney Nessralla and his client, they may present their case, but a decision will be made at the next Directors' meeting either in February or earlier.

Mr. Nessralla requested a motion, which was granted by Dr. Andrade. Mr. Nessralla asks: given that there is no quorum, what purpose will this hearing serve?

Dr. Andrade: the case will be heard, and the Directors will vote at their next meeting. To that, attorney Nessralla agreed and he presented his petition to have the Board consider legally transferring the existing tobacco license for Cigar and More to reflect the new address, which 423 Belmont Street, Brockton.

Next agenda item: The Chairperson of the BOH called on ISD Inspectors to pursue the hearing for Saisha Inc., that requested a hearing at this meeting, but no one represented this business. The case was tabled until the next meeting.

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Dr. Andrade: Next agenda Item: The Life Science Project. Based upon the advice that we have received from other experts in the field, it seems that Brockton has a viable option to hire a consultant to help more the project forward. This agenda item was also tabled until further word from Mayor or Mr. Rob May,

Dr. Andrade: The Incidence rate of COVID-19 in Brockton:

Reply (EM-E.H.O): to summarize the cumulative cases from 2023 as we move into 2024, I gave updates on COVID-19 to close last year and highlighted the cases for the current year, 2024.

Dr. Andrade: How are the BOH Nurses and the CHW handling the workload due to increased DOT/MDOT? I know that they are doing a lot.

EM: BOH is fortunate to have a very committed pull health professionals: Public health Nurses, CHW, our new epidemiologist.

At times, we do have more infections, which requires an increase in the amount of manpower: Nurses and CHWs, but we do the best we can with the amount of resources that are available to us.

Dr. Andrade: I make a motion to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 PM. The Board scheduled our next Board meeting: February 1, 2024.