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Health Department

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BOH: Minutes from the Board meeting on April 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 4:32. The members in attendance: Board chairperson, Dr. Andrade, Eno Mondesir (Exec. Health Officer), and Mr. George Fiske

Ref: also in Attendance: James Doucette (ISD Inspector), Rachel Seaver (BOH Intern from Bridgewater State University Undergraduate Public Health Program). Owner of **Brockton Food Mart**, located at 1293 Main St, Brockton MA, and Kaitlin Healy representing **Prestige Car Wash**, located at 245 N Pearl St, Brockton MA.

All members were welcomed, and Dr. Andrade was introduced, he then led the meeting and made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for Board meetings held on March 7, 2024. The motion was approved.

First agenda item:

- A. **Brockton Food Mart**, located at 1293 Main St, Brockton MA, represented by James Doucette. A violation occurred on 3/23/2024 where tobacco was sold to an individual under 21 years old. This is the first offense within 36 months which stipulates a 3-day suspension, and a \$1000 monetary fine has been levied upon the vendor. For training purposes, the owner will be provided with training for his employees. Motion was passed for a three-day suspension and a \$1000 Monetary fine.

Next Agenda item:

- B. **Prestige Car Wash**, located at 245 N Pearl St, Brockton MA, represented by Kaitlin Healy (License and Compliance Officer). A violation occurred on 03/23/2024; Sale of a tobacco product to a person under the age of twenty-one. This will stipulate a \$1000 monetary fine and a temporary license suspension for 3 days. Motion has been passed.

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Next Agenda item:

- C. Warren Ave Smoke Shop, located at 650 Warren Ave, Brockton. Dates of Violation: 03/23/2024; Sale of a tobacco product to a person under the age of twenty-one. 05/20/2023; Sale of a tobacco product to a person under the age of twenty-one. Meaning that there have been three separate violations within a 36-month period. A 14-day period of suspension has been levied as well as a \$5000 monetary fine. There is a pattern of lack of ability to enforce compliance. A motion was passed.

Next item: No updates on Life Science, Bio Ready Community, Adoption of NIB Guidelines for Recombinant DNA (rDNA):

Next item: Latest updates on COVID-19, Numbers are still increasing. 12 covid cases in the past 7 days. On a downward slope but still have work to do to prevent and stop COVID from spreading. The public health nurses as well as the community health workers are still at the Shaw's Center Weekly to administer vaccines. The nurses, community health workers and the intern Rachel Seaver are still holding the Health and Wellness events weekly in partnership with the Brockton housing Authority to administer Blood sugar screening, Blood Pressure Screenings, and Health Promotion teachings.

Next item: TB cases update, 11 total cases as of today.

Next item: Continue to work with different institutions in collaboration with the Brockton Neighborhood Health Center, Brockton Council on Aging and to expand the events being held with the Brockton Housing Authority in the future.

Misc. Items:

- A. Extra leftover money with the grant for FY 24.
- B. Hospital updates (Brockton Hospital and Good Samaritan)
- C. Brockton Neighborhood Health Center conversation with Opioid Settlement money. Unfortunately, in the City of Brockton the money is allocated to Law Enforcement first and has a particular structure and is beyond the preview of certain employees at the BOH. There is an opportunity to have a broader conversation on the best way to help people struggling with substance abuse disorder.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 PM. The board scheduled the next board meeting to be held on May 2, 2024.