

Board of Health
Regular Meeting
August 29, 2019
50 Evergreen Avenue
Somerville, MA 02145

Present:

Douglas Kress, Director
Brian Green, Board Chair
Paula Machado, Board Member

Absent:

Robert Ciccio, Board Member

Staff Members in Attendance: Ben Lipham, ISD

Guests: Weitao Huang, Yoi Sushi
Wei Bin Xu, Yoi Sushi
Katy Wu, Yoi Sushi

Meeting called to order by Chair Green 6:02pm

Previous Minutes; Motion made by Chair Green, second by Machado to accept July 25, 19 BoH meeting minutes as submitted.

Variance requests:

Yoi Shushi & Chinese Restaurant requested a variance to serve Acifed Rice and submitted a HACCP. Inspector Lipham provided an over view of the application and process. Chair Green clarified this is for acifed rice variance, Lipham confirmed the variance request.

Chair Green explained the reason for variance request and defined the limits of the variance.

The applicant had no questions

Lipham asked the applicant when they will be ready to begin serving, the applicant stated Monday.

Lipham provided an overview of the inspection with a HACCP and what would be reviewed during an inspection.

Chair Green made a motion to approve, Machado second, approved.

Director's report

Kress reviewed the work underway to understand the legal and siting of a Supervised Consumption Facility. Kress emphasized the work is in early stages and provided background on the current status of other sites in US and explained sites had been opened in other countries, including Canada as Harm Reduction effort for the opioid public health crisis.

Kress indicated no rulings have been issued for the current tobacco legal cases in which the BoH is named.

Kress updated the BoH about open position within HHS, including Substance Use Prevention Coordinator and SomerPromise Director.

Chair Green made a motion to close the meeting at 6:18, second by Machado
Minutes submitted by D Kress