



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

BOARD OF HEALTH

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DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
DAMON O. CHAPLIN

APPROVED MINUTES

Emergency Board of Health Meeting

Monday, January 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Board to Convene Via Remote Participation

Alternative Means of Public Access Provided: Zoom Meeting/ Telephone Conference Call

To Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/3966365159>

Dial-In: 1 646 558 8656 US Meeting ID: 396 636 5159

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m. meeting remotely per zoom communications which has been allowed per the Governor due to the pandemic this meeting is being recorded.

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present were Damon Chaplin, Director
Patricia Andrade, M.D.
Craig Longo, M.D. (EXCUSED)
Sarah Morris, M.D.

ACTION

- 3. Discussing the Cease and Desist Order re: The Bar on 266 Dartmouth St, New Bedford is violating applicable laws and regulations pertaining to COVID-19 orders mandating the wearing of facial coverings, including masks, and is thereby endangering the general public and other violations in this Order.**

Dr. Andrade stated we are having a hearing regarding these violations per the grievance from Mr. Faria owner of The Bar. Mr. Faria is not present at this zoom meeting.

Mr. Chaplin presented a brief summary of the cease and desist order regarding The Bar establishment owned by Mr. Faria. The New Bedford Health Dept. has received multiple notifications

from the NB Police Dept. on 10/14/20 and 11/14/20, implicating his facility in violation of the COVID-19 mandatory safety standards for restaurants and outdoor gatherings. On 11/21/20 and 11/28/20 NBPD reported employees and patrons not wearing masks while in the facility and additionally NBPD reported patrons playing billiards and not wearing masks. In addition, the owner also indicated to the NB Police officers that he had no intention on complying with the COVID orders or regulations. On 1/8/21 NBPD had found that place was closed to public, but they found individuals inside the facilities in range of 5 people sitting at the east of the bar. Mr. Faria was issued 3 tickets by hand.

MOTION: by Dr. Morris to continue the Cease and Desist for The Bar on 266 Dartmouth St and that COVID fines will stay as previously assessed at \$2,900 and will be referred to the Licensing Board who can then assess the status of their license. **SECONDED:** by **ROLL CALL** – Dr. Morris and Dr. Andrade **YES.** All in favor. **MOTION CARRIES.**

4. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Dr. Andrade **adjourned** the meeting at **6:22 p.m.**

A true record attest:



Health Department Chairperson

BOH Meeting Minutes Approved 3 / 4 / 21