



BOARD OF HEALTH

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Meeting Date – June 14, 2022

Members Present - Mr. Michael Mazloff, Melissa Tuomi

Others Present: Pamela Harding – Director Planning & Development Helen Ganas – Public Health Nurse, Trevor Bruso – Public Health Coordinator Leicester Regional Public Health Coalition, Christopher Wilson – Epidemiologist Leicester Regional Public Health Coalition, Miriam Nyante – Regional Human Services Director

Michael Mazloff called the meeting to order at 5:36 PM.

Approval of Minutes – April 12, 2022 – Revised – tabled to next meeting

Approval of Minutes – May 17, 2022 – Melissa made a motion to approve, Michael seconded – APPROVED

Approval of Minutes – June 2, 2022 – Melissa made a motion to approve, Michael seconded – APPROVED

Title V Inspections Completed

- 101 Jamieson Road – Fails
- 390 Malden Street – Passes
- 139 Moscow Road – Passes
- 438 Reservoir Street – Conditionally Passes
- 93 Twinbrooke Drive – Passes
- 13 Bull Run – Conditionally Passes

Systems Being Repaired

- 13 Bull Run – D Box Replacement
- 60 Mason Road – Septic System Replacement
- 20 Avery Heights – D Box Replacement
- 438 Reservoir Street – D Box Replacement
- 1568 Wachusett Street – Replaced failed septic system
- 334 Bailey Road – D Box Replacement
- 63 Surrey Lane – D Box Replacement
- 101 Jamieson Road – Decommission septic system

Health Agents Report/Updates

- M. Mazloff asked for an update on the Board of Health Agent vacancy. Trevor responded that the position has been posted, just waiting for applicants.
- Food Establishment Inspections – Trevor teamed up with Joanne Petterson-Bernier and inspected all of the schools, Farmers Market and Holden Hills. Holden Hills had some violations, they were given a week to correct the violations. Trevor and Joanne re inspected and they had addressed all concerns.

Covid

- Helen reported vaccination rates are at or above the state level. The numbers are definitely coming down.
- Pam asked if hospitalization numbers are coming down. Helen responded yes, as of today there are 522 patients in the hospital
- M Mazloff asked about home testing rates. Helen responded that the home tests may not be reported, so numbers are definitely higher than what is shown as reported cases.

New/Other Business

- Miriam informed the Board they are working on the health assessments and creating a website with the information gathered. There will be a Covid section which will give Covid updates, national, statewide and local. Chris said they are looking for ideas on where to publicize the website, Town website, newspaper, etc. They will need help spreading the word. Trevor said they will do a soft opening first, sending the information to BOH and have them add/remove information as they see fit. Once complete they will issue a newsletter every other week to let downs know what the coalition is working on. Melissa suggested active Facebook groups, senior center, Holden Days. P Harding said we could do town wide mailings to go out with the light bills.
- P Harding asked about updating the CHIP – Chris said he could email the surveys for review. Trevor reported they have a meeting with Louise from the Senior Center and some residents to find out what their needs are.
- Miriam mentioned after the launch of the website they will be pulling resources from all the towns involved and make a resource directory. Chris stated there are a lot of resources out there that people don't know about.
- State Opioid Fund uses – Trevor told the Board municipalities are receiving money from the state. The coalition was looking into hiring a mental health specialist. Pam noted we are receiving \$8,000/year not to exceed \$72,000. The Town Manager reached out to other departments for input and suggestions and will also notify the police department. Table to next meeting for more discussion.

Next Meeting July 12, 2022 at 5:30 pm

Adjourned 6:31 pm