



BOARD OF HEALTH

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Meeting Date – July 25, 2023

Members Present - Mr. Michael Mazloff, Michelle O'Rourke, Melissa Tuomi

Others Present: Denise Monteiro – Recording Secretary, Miriam Nyante – Regional Human Services Director, Trevor Bruso – Board of Health Agent, Town of Holden, Chris Montiverdi – Director of Health Operations, Town of Holden, Sandra Knipe – Public Health Nurse, Leicester Public Health Coalition, Christopher Wilson – Epidemiologist Leicester Regional Public Health Coalition

Michael Mazloff called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

- **Approval of Minutes – June 20, 2023 – APPROVED**
- Sandra Knipe – Public Health Nurse - Leicester Regional Public Health Coalition, attended the meeting to introduce herself and let the Board know she is available for them if needed.
 - Michael asked Sandra about the Arbovirus screening update, some samples in the area tested positive, however no human cases at this time
 - Sandra responded that the state monitors this and notifies the Coalition
 - Chris Montiverdi stated that himself, Trevor and Francis receive the notifications, they would then notify Sandra and Chris Wilson should a follow up or investigation might need to happen. The system was tested when a false report of a Babesiosis case was reported to the Town Manager's office, the investigation found this to be a false report and the Town Manager's office was able to report to the community that it was not a true case.

Title V Inspections Completed

- 433 Sterling Road – Passes
- 358 Bullard Street – Passes
- 133 Salisbury Street – Passes
- 108 Jackson Street – Passes
- 179 Mixter Road – Conditional Pass – D Box needs to be replaced

Systems Being Repaired

- 221 Muschopauge Road – Complete replacement of system – Presby system
- 1478 Wachusett Street – Replacement of entire system

Health Agents Report/Updates – Trevor Bruso

- Trevor reported he has done 15 food inspections, 4 re-inspections, and 1 nuisance site visit. Trevor has been shadowing Jamie on septic inspections and also flea market vendor inspections, the knowledge has been beneficial to him.

New/Other Business

- Status of Community Health Assessment Surveys – Chris Wilson reported that the numbers are not as high as he hoped. He recommends re advertising the survey. So far the numbers are as follows – K-5: 36, seniors: 7, High School: 11, 6-8: 60, Public: 8. Michael asked if it would be appropriate for Board members to reach out to residents about the surveys. Chris Montiverdi said it could be reposted on Facebook as a reminder. Also Holden Days is at the end of August, there will be a table set up which will have the surveys available for residents. Michael asked if we could put a letter together for the Landmark as well. Chris Montiverdi said we could do that. Chris Wilson realizes this is a process so he is not going to get discouraged. Chris Montiverdi stated this is a tough time with summer vacations, etc. Just need to keep putting it out there and promote it.
- Michael asked the status of posting the Public Hearing for updating the Well Regulations. Chris Montiverdi responded it will be advertised for the next meeting in September
- Miriam notified the Board that with Trevor moving to Holden, she will now be the coordinator responsible for the Grant for the Coalition. She will be talking with Chris Montiverdi on how to move forward with the Grant.

Al's Candy Shop – Variance – Retail Food Establishment – Equipment – Manual Warewashing, Sink Compartment Requirements

- Trevor informed the Board that a variance is required for Al's Candy Shop at 605 Main Street in Holden as to not require a 3 bay sink to be installed in the candy shop. Trevor recommends approving the variance. **APPROVED 3-0**

Public Health Emergency Preparedness – Region 2

- The Board voted to designate Christopher Montiverdi and Trevor Bruso to be granted authority to cast votes on behalf of the Town of Holden during Public Health Emergency Preparedness Meetings in Region 2. **APPROVED 3-0**

Next Meeting September 26, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Adjourned 6:31 pm