

MINUTES BOARD OF HEALTH

June 2, 2022

Opening: The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Health opened at 6:00 pm. The following members were in attendance:

Alex White - Health Director Thomas FitzGerald- Health Agent Sue Brzoska - Chairperson Mikenzie Cain- Clerk

Sue Brzoska **motioned** to accept the minutes of May 19, 2022, with the corrections. Mikenzie Cain **seconded** the motion. The vote of the Board was unanimous in favor.

Roll call vote

Sue Brzoska – Yes Mikenzie Cain - Yes

Hybrid Meetings will be in place until July 1, 2022, or maybe extended by the State Legislator.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & ATTENDANCE

No Public Comment

COVID REPORT

Director White- COVID numbers

 According to Valerie Bird for the month of May there were 116 new reported COVID-19 cases, only 30 of whom were unvaccinated, 8 individuals are under the age of 18 years old, and 32 of the individuals were over 60 years old. FI = Final Inspection
SO = Sign Off
HC/HI = Housing Complaint/Housing Inspection
FSI = Food Service Inspection
COC = Certificate of Compliance

Update on shared service nursing grant:

Director White attended a UMass Amherst School of Public Health and Health Sciences (SPHHS) Career Services outreach event for reach out purposes to interested undergraduate Public Health students. SPHHS and College of Nursing posted the PHE Shared Services Grant Public Health Nurses job posting on the UMass Amherst job boards and webpages. Mikenzie Cain stated that she will use her Elms College Teaching position as an opportunity to share our available nursing positions with her students. The Board discussed supplies needed for the Public Health Nurses and Director White will be placing an order in the upcoming weeks.

The Board had a conversation on hosting a Vaccination Clinic.

Sue Brzoska made a motion to appoint Health Director White to be the grant administrator of the PHE Shared Services Nursing Grant, the Director would be taking over from Tammy Spencer's role, having received her PHE grant work invoice. Mikenzie Cain seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Mikenzie Cain- Yes, Sue Brzoska - Yes

COVID-19 Antigen test kits- The Board discussed the distribution of the free COVID-19 antigen test kits. It was suggested to have a first come, first serve basis for town residents with a limit of two boxes per person.

Director White- reached out to a school nurse and is now on the Superintendent of Schools' email communication list for COVID-19 notification.

Director White also attended the bi-weekly interagency DPH webinar call. The webinar talked about COVID-19 metrics and the latest Monkeypox situation within the

Date

cc: Select Board Town Clerk