



Meeting Minutes #0818.20

MEDFIELD BOARD OF HEALTH

Meeting dated August 18, 2020

Members Present: Carol Read, Stephen Resch, Holly Rand, and Melissa Coughlin, members,

Also Present: Bridget Sweet, Health Agent; Nancy Bennotti, Administrative Assistant; Kristine Trierweiler, Town Administrator; Kathy Thompson, RN, Medfield Public Schools - School Nurse Cluster Leader, Meghan Glenn

Meeting was through Zoom teleconferencing.

The Board of Health will meet every week at the request of the Town Administrator to provide update / guidance with regard to the current COVID-19 crisis.

Mrs Read opened the meeting and expressed appreciation to the town administration for its leadership and staff for hard work operationalizing the governor's orders. Encouraged the public to take the opportunity to review the guidance available on the state website: www.mass.gov. Introduction of Board of Health members.

Mrs. Trierweiler provided updates as follows:

Coolidge Corner Theater is hosting an event at the former Medfield State Hospital over the Labor Day Weekend. There will be multiple showings of the movie "Shutter Island" and the event will be presented as a "drive-in movie" experience with a limit of 150 cars at each showing. Using available guidance to ensure compliance with Governor's Orders, Mrs. Trierweiler has worked with the Coolidge Corner Theater to provide a safe event for all.

Early voting for the September 1 state primary will be available at the Town Hall from Saturday August 22nd through Friday August 28th. Residents will enter the town hall by the back door; use the elevator to the second floor where they can vote. There is also a sign on the "drop box", if residents want to use that for their mail in ballots.

The health agent, Mrs Sweet, is working with both Zelus and 7th Wave Brewing due to the recent change in governor's order regarding breweries and retail food permitting. Both facilities are trying to comply and patience and education is the key to compliance.

Mrs Read discussed meeting minute approval process.

Continued discussion regarding school re-opening and included parent attestation, process to be used when student becomes ill at school and the return to school post illness. On August 17th, Mrs Thompson met by zoom with the public health nurse, the school nurse from Montrose Academy and the administrative assistant for the Board of Health. The public health nurse, Alyssa Kaiser, will share an excel spreadsheet that can be used for school cases. Discussion of guidance from state through both DESE and MDPH and how to retrieve information regarding location of infection, what determines a cluster, etc.

Dr Resch spoke about data collection with regard to school re-opening which would be important to determine compliance data and community spread.

Mrs Coughlin is preparing guidance with regard to mask wearing. Two documents have been prepared for the Board members to review. One of the documents will be shared with Dr Marsden for review by the School Committee. The other document will be finalized incorporating the board members suggested changes and be available for community-wide use.

Miscellaneous

The next meetings will be scheduled for Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 400 pm and Wednesday September 9, 2020 by Zoom teleconferencing.

Mrs Coughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 pm, Mrs Rand provided second and vote was by roll call, 4-0 unanimous, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

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