

SUDBURY BOARD OF HEALTH

Minutes of Board Meeting October 15, 2019

Attendance: Board Chair Carol Bradford, Board member Susan Sama, Health Director William Murphy, Public Health Nurse Phyllis Schilp, Town Social Worker Bethany Hadvab, Admin. Beth Porter, Selectmen Jennifer Roberts and Social Work Intern Tara Edelman.

Meeting commenced at 4:00 pm.

4:00: Opening comments – No Public Comments Chair Carol Bradford calls meeting to order.

4:01 Social Worker–Bethany Hadvab: Ms. Hadvab presented to the Board the following updates:

- For the month of September client needs decreased.
- **Homelessness Symposium:** held October 2nd was well attended by several private and state agencies. Main objectives of symposium were to identify gaps and surpluses, preventative actions, educate and share resources and information between agencies.
- **Hope Sudbury:** Biggest influx of applications that the Social Worker has seen. Hope Sudbury will now disperse funds directly to recipients. Application will be updated to limit the number of times an individual can apply.
- **Transportation Meeting:** Goal is to alleviate the many problems that residents face who don't have a means of transportation. Medical appointments, access to food, programs etc... Community agencies are connecting with each other in order to work on this problem.
- **Financial Literacy:** Will be held at Longfellow Glen for the holidays.
- **Social Work Intern:** Tara Edelman was introduced to the Board.

4:15: Public Health Nurse:

- **Flu Clinic:** Held at Fairbank Community Center, October 10th administered 230 shots.
- **Town Wide Flue Clinic:** will be at the Curtis Middle School Oct. 16th. This is the location for the Emergency Dispensing Site for Sudbury. Having the clinic at this location will satisfy the requirement of an annual drill.
- **Flu Cases 2019:** The DPH has reported an increase in Flu cases in September.
- **Vaping:** As a result of Governor Baker's ban on Vaping, Phyllis has reached out to the schools and Sudbury medical personnel with educational literature and websites to help combat the influx of student/patient needs.
- **Camps:** Park and Rec Camps – recommendations – Health Care Consultants to be on staff. Develop policies that are more specific. If a camp is cancelled due to low attendance shifting the campers to another camp will require adjustments to camper to staff ratios. Should Park and Rec Camps be held to the same standards as private camps?
- **Stop the Bleed:** Kits have been installed at the Library, Curtis Middle School, Town Hall

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- **Stop the Bleed Continued...**
and Senior Center. Training seminars are being scheduled.

4:45: Health Department Agenda:

EEE-Eastern Equine Encephalitis:

- **EEE Surveillance** ended at the start of October. Sudbury samples have tested negative.
- **EEE Forum:** Proposals/EEE spraying plan presented by the state for 2020.
- **EEE Facts for Public:** Virus is cyclical. Outbreaks are recorded in 7 year intervals, with dormancy in between. There is no way to eliminate EEE risk regardless of treatments.
- **EEE & Halloween:** It is predicted that there will not be a deep frost prior to the onset of Halloween. It is the recommendation of the Board of Health that all outdoor Halloween activities conclude by dusk. Trick or Treating should be active between 4:30 – 6:00 PM.

VOTE to conclude Trick or Treating and outdoor Halloween related activities by dusk.
Motion made by Susan Sama Board Member, seconded by Carol Bradford Board Chair.
Passed 2-0-0.

Sewataro:

- Met with camp owner to get information on mechanics of the camp (not documented)
- A number of inspections took place. BoH Wells, Water Sources, Septic, Pools etc...
- Man-made pond - incoming operator of camp needs to understand how to maintain this complicated feature.
- Man-Made pond – Conservation will need to look at the downstream drainage of pond.
- Mr. Taylor – Previous owner of the camp has agreed to stay on for next summer as a consultant.

Vaping:

- State took action and banned the sale of vapes for four months.
- All Tobacco Permitted establishments were inspected to ensure compliance
- A proposal, initiated by a Dr. Lester Hartman, eliminating mint and menthol tobacco products was discussed. If this initiative is adopted by Sudbury Residents the Tobacco Regulations will need to be revised.

Church St:

- Public notified of death of resident, located at 24 Church Street. Heirs are given the opportunity to claim inheritance.
- Challenge – There are historical artifacts in the building. The structure is in disrepair. The dwelling must be deemed safe prior to the Historical Society entering the structure to retrieve and catalog historical artifacts.

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Church St. Continues...

- The Building Department and Board of Health will defer to Town Counsel to determine course of action.

VOTE to proceed at the advice of Town Counsel, pertaining to the 24 Church St dwelling. Motion made by Carol Bradford Chair, seconded by Susan Sama. Motion passed 2-0-0.

Other Subjects

VOTE to approve minutes as amended for September 8th Emergency Meeting and September 10 Meeting. Motion made by Carol Bradford Chair, seconded by Susan Sama. Motion passed 2-0-0.

VOTE to appoint Jennifer Condon, Michael Albanese, Donna De Wallace and Sarah Macone as Animal Inspectors for the Sudbury Board of Health through December 2020. Motion made by Susan Sama, Board Member, seconded by Carol Bradford, Chair. Motion passed 2-0-0.

VOTE to authorize Mr. Murphy to sign Annual Animal Inspector Contract. Motion made by Susan Sama, Board Member, seconded by Carol Bradford, Chair. Motion passed 2-0-0.

Health Director - Bill Murphy:

Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held at 275 Old Lancaster Rd. (DPW Building) on November 9th. The proposed collaboration with Wayland Health Department posed a conflict with liability and a shared Town Council. It was decided that Sudbury would host it's own drive.

Septic: Large projects being installed; Shaw's Plaza, Lotus Blossom and Heb Chambers Land Rover continue...

426 Boston Post Rd: (Sudbury Pizza) and remediation.

Eagle Scout Project Proposed: to put up bat boxes throughout the town to help in combatting the spread of EEE. Bats eat insects and can assist in decreasing the number of EEE mosquitos.

Susan Sama, Board Member, voiced concerns about the threat of Lyme and Powassan, both tick bourn diseases.

Contracted Health Inspectors continue to inspect Restaurants, Septic, Soil tests etc...

Correspondence:

Meeting Adjourned 5:35 PM