#### Board of Health Meeting May 4, 2021 4:30pm

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WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF HEALTH
381 Main Street, Town Office Building
West Newbury, MA
MINUTES
May 4, 2021 at 4:30pm

BOARD: Robert Janes-Chairman, Blake Seale-Member, Thomas Fahey-Member

**HEALTH AGENT: Paul Sevigny ADMIN ASS'T: Jane Krafton** 

OTHERS: Diane Dardeno-Public Health Nurse. Dr. Stephen Beaudoin-Pentucket High

R. Janes opened meeting 4:30 reading above addendum.

### I. BUSINESS:

• Steele Landfill update. Maintenance on landfill is going well. Another full cycle of testing and then Health Agent will petition with State to relax the testing.

Discussed FY22 PHN Contract with Diane Dardeno. Tom Fahey would like to allocate additional funds to prepare for unseen expenses. R. Janes stated that the Selectmen already voted on the FY22 budget and that he is not in favor of changing anything at this point and explained that BOH could always cover unbudgeted expenses by reserve fund transfer or at the special town meeting that is held annually in October. Health Agent indicated that he already spoke with Town Manager, and that the PHN line item has \$8,175 for FY22. T. Fahey would like to consider increase hours for surveillance and tracing. R. Janes stated that this is the first that he is hearing of this change in the contract and would like to take some time to think about and would like to speak to the Town Manger. T. Fahey is concerned that federal funding is ending but the workload continues with Covid-19 tasks. PHN confirmed that tracing is currently trending for 2-6 cases/events is approximately 4 hours per week. T. Fahey and PHN is requesting 2 additional hours per week. Maven and DPH also require time for current informational meetings to keep up with speed, which is anticipated approximately 1 additional hour. Eventually Covid-19 will be incorporated in with the infectious disease follow-up protocols. 1 hour dedicated to education per week. Seale confirmed that the request is for 5 hours per week/20 total additional per month would be suggested per PHN, which would not include clinics.

#### Covid-19 Updates:

o PRSD Wrestling: Board discussed EEA/MIAA protocols. B. Seale points out that for the last 13 months he believes that we have learned 2 major lessons – one is to social distance and the second is to wear a mask. T. Fahey agrees, however it is a control environment with a small group of participants that have a vested interest in making the program successful. T. Fahey made the following motion:

Permit to use of the PRSD High School gym for the 2021 MIAA Wrestling season from practice and meets. Approval with the following requirements:

- 1. Must follow all 2021 MIAA guidelines for specific for wrestling
- PRHS must designate a coach/site supervisor to be responsible for responding to Covid-19 concerns and supervising adherence to established Covid-19 protocols.
- 3. Requirement for proper cleaning based on PRSD facilities approved cleaning protocols.
- 4. Requirement for proper cleaning based on MIAA Wrestling protocols.
- 5. Requirement that all players, coaches, referees, game officials, and spectators are required to wear facial coverings. No exceptions. This includes all visiting teams.
- 6. BOH will monitor compliance of MIAA guidelines.
- BOH will monitor for Pentucket Regional School District positive Covid-19 cases and any case tracing with links to the wrestling program.
- 8. BOH can withdraw its approval for the use of the Pentucket High School gym if its use is felt to cause a public health risk.

R. Janes seconded the motion. Roll Call R. Janes-Aye, B. Seale-No, T. Fahey-Aye.  ${\bf Motion\ passes\ 2-1-0}$ 

O Discussed close contacts definition in schools to change to 3feet vs 6 feet. T. Fahey would like to see the close contact definition distance remain at 6 feet. B. Seale agrees, especially since school only has a couple more weeks to go and stated that W. Newbury is lucky in that there is enough room to maintain the 6 feet unlike many other towns in the State. Board voted 3-0-0 unanimous to maintain the definition of close contact to be 6 feet apart.

#### **II. APPOINTMENTS:**

• 4:45: N.A.

# III. SEPTIC PLANS:

- 151 Middle Street, Tom Cook Jr. #17-5 EXTENSION REQUEST. APPROVED 3-0-0
- 153 Middle Street, Tom Cook Jr. #17-6 EXTENSION REQUEST. APPROVED 3-0-0
- 155 Middle Street, Tom Cook Jr. #17-7 EXTENSION REQUEST. APPROVED 3-0-0
- 152 Crane Neck St, Taichi Wakayashi #18-01 EXTENSION REQUEST. APPROVED 3-0-0
- 44 Coffin Street-Lot 1, Paula Cutter #20-19, Williams & Sparages, LLC. APPROVED 3-0-0
- 34 Ash Street, Patricia Kelly, #21-4, Williams & Sparages, LLC. APPROVED 3-0-0

## IV. FYI: No Action Needed

• Next BOH Meeting May 25, 2021

Meeting Adjourned 5:45pm