

## **BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES**

**JANUARY 4, 2022, 6:00 P.M.**

### **LOCATION REMOTE**

#### **PRESENT:**

Chairperson Margie LaFleur, Member Stephen Themelis, Member Renee D'Argento, Health Agent Kalene Gendron, Admin. Assistant Laurie Lessard

Chairperson LaFleur opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. She announced the meeting was remote participation only; meeting is being cablecast live and recorded by Pepperell Community Media.

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Chairperson LaFleur presented the meeting minutes of November 30, 2021.

A Motion was made by Themelis to accept the meeting minutes of November 30, 2021, Seconded by D'Argento, Motion Moved.

#### **BILL WARRANT APPROVAL**

LaFleur presented the bill from NABH for FY22 Third Quarter Nursing and Environmental services.

A Motion was made by D'Argento to approve the bill warrant from NABH for Nursing and Environmental services, Seconded by Themelis, Motion Moved.

#### **LICENSES/PERMITS**

Renewal of Rubbish Hauler Permits was presented. Waste Management, Livestock Rubbish Removal and G.W. Shaws & Son.

A MOTION was made by D'Argento to approve the renewal of the Rubbish Hauler Permits, Seconded by Themelis, Motion Moved.

#### **ACTION ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS/OPEN DISCUSSION**

LaFleur began this discussion stating that there is a Public Meeting regarding the American Rescue Plan (ARPA) on January 12, 2022 and they would like the Board of Health input because there is money available to the Health Department. D'Argento suggested putting in for test kits seeing that the Town was not on the list for the distribution of the kits. Themelis asked how long the kits are good for and what variance do they test for. Gendron stated that they have a shelf life of one year. There are instructions and the test is for Covid. Gendron said that 102 communities received the kits and when we ask for them we should start small.

After discussion, the Board felt that flyers and a letter should go out to the town with the education on when and how to do the test. The Board will attend the remote meeting on January 12, 2022 speaking on the test kits and a Social Worker.

## **HEALTH AGENT COMMENTS**

### **COVID UPDATES**

Gendron stated the CDC shortened the isolation period to 5 days. There is nothing else to report there.

### **NASHOBA ASSOC. BOOSTER CLINIC**

There will be a Booster Clinic on Wednesdays. For more information visit: [www.nashoba.org](http://www.nashoba.org).

### **LANDFILL UPDATES AND REPAIRS**

Gendron said that the inspection was completed. Working with the DPW on repairing the fence and removing the trees that had come done.

The digital sign in front of the Peter Fitzpatrick School is Board of Health protocol. Make your own decision. The Board of Health just makes suggestions.

Gendron said that the mask mandate is just an advisory.

A Motion was made by Themelis to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by D'Argento, Motion Moved.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.