# Board of Health Meeting Minutes November 9, 2022 at 3:00 pm 59 Main Street, Hatfield, MA

Approved December 8, 2022

Present: Bob Osley, Chair, Member Liz Kugler; Vice Chairperson Jeffrey Zgrodnik; Charlie Kaniecki, Health Agent; School Nurse Jean Hobbie

CALL TO ORDER Chair Osley called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

PUBLIC FORUM

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Member Kugler move to recommend we accept the Minutes of October 20, 2022, as written; Chair Osley seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved.

#### POSTED BUSINESS

- TOPIC 1 Housing Code Changes Discussion: Agent Kaniecki informed the Board he attended a meeting regarding the upcoming housing code changes. As of April 2023, there will be some changes and the Board needs to be aware of those changes. Agent Kaniecki will continue monitoring the changes and advise the Board.
- TOPIC 2 <u>COVID Booster:</u> Nurse Hobbie informed the Board that the school is seeing hand foot mouth disease and COVID cases in the schools. Member Kugler mentioned there will be a COVID booster clinic at the Council on Aging on December 15, 2022, from 10:00 12:00 and you need to register. Nurse Hobbie would like to have a booster clinic at the school.
- TOPIC 3 Excellence in Public Health Grant needs assessment survey: Chair Osley thanked Member Kugler for completing the survey. It was very time consuming and a lot of work; however, this will give Northampton Public Health a better idea of how to better serve Hatfield.

### **UNANTICIPATED NEW BUSINESS:**

16 North Street: Health Agent Kaniecki informed the Board that he stopped by 16 North Street after a complaint was received from another North Street resident about trash being put outside the residence. That North Street resident said there are mice and rats ripping open the bags. Chair Osley met with neighbors and put up a condemnation sign. The owner is deceased, and no one knows of any heirs. The Board will attempt to find an heir but that could take years. In the meantime, the Board will attempt to secure the property and get bids for demolishing the building.

Vice Chairperson Zgrodnik asked about the desk being put back in the Board of Health Office. The executive assistant advised him that the desk has been put back and the office is the way it used to be.

The Board of Health chose December 8 at 3:00 p.m. for their next meeting.

## **CONTINUED OLD BUSINESS:**

**ADJOURN** Member Kugler made a motion to adjourn; Vice Chairperson Zgrodnik seconded; no discussion; all in favor – aye; motion approved; meeting ended at 3:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Brodeur Executive Assistant