

Town of Shelburne

Board of Health

Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. on Monday March 22, 2021 by member Ron Kelter. The meeting was held via Zoom due to the Coronavirus- COVID-19 Pandemic.

Board of Health Members Present: Ron Kelter, - Chair, Jody Stetson, Fred Vohr (Fritz)

Others Present: Randy Crochier (CPHS Health Agent), Jennifer Morse (BOH Clerk), Heidi Creamer (9:08 a.m.)

Minutes – February 22, 2021 and March 8, 2021

A motion was made by Jody and seconded by Ron to accept the minutes as amended. VOTE: 3-0

COVID-19

Vaccines Clinics - The group discussed the overall frustration that Franklin County clinics are staffed by volunteers and 75% of the participants are from outside Franklin County. Further discussion on the Johnson and Johnson vaccine being more painful and the syringes different. Randy shared that there will be no new first shot clinics this week due to the lack of vaccine. More information will be shared at the COVID roundtable this afternoon.

Randy shared that there has been a small uptick in cases in Franklin County.

The eligibility has changed to include those who are now 60 years of age or older.

Health Agent Updates

Randy reported that he had spoken with the Public Health safety department of the Dexter production and they will be having more conversations moving forward. There was discussion as to why the Select Board did not involve the Board of health, Randy shared that this was the case on both sides of the bridge. There was also discussion about the emails regarding the Town Wide call that had caused some confusion and frustration the week before.

Fritz mentioned that the next BOH message or Task Force message should encourage people to wear masks in public even if they are vaccinated.

Randy shared that the former Anchorage building is under renovations and will be called Hotel Shelburne. They will have a licensed kitchen, bar, and suites. The Health Agents visited to discuss the kitchen and bar sink layouts. Randy shared that they wanted to open by the New Year.

Randy stated that the housing issue on Bridge Street continues to make progress and there are new owners who Randy has spoken to about the situation. Title V's have been busy all winter long as sales are good.

Other

Fritz said that Tick season is back already. Currently the UMASS testing location is closed.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 a.m. Vote: 3-0

Submitted:

Jennifer Morse - Board of Health Clerk-March 27, 2021