



Town of Boxford

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health

January 26, 2022

NO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE - REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY

6:30PM

Virtual Participation Only

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Present: Richard Taylor, Richard Fahrner, Alex Constan, Heather Forand, Rhonda Hodge, Kendell Longo, Kristin Kwiatek, bcattv99, Jim Scanlan, Pam Blaquiere, Liz Murphy, Mary Ann Nay, Kerrie Myers, Christy Cosgrove, Kelly Haas, Michael Diamond, Helen Merica, David V, Christopher Harrah, Beth, Charlie, Alissa, Laura, Richard, Kelly, Tristan Diamond.

Absent: Rhonda Hodge

Meeting Opened at 6:35 by R. Fahrner

Roll call indicated that the following members of the Board of Health were present remotely: D. Taylor, R. Fahrner, A. Constan, H. Forand

Reconsideration of Vaccination Order, Community Center

The Council on Aging asked the Board of Health at the January 19, 2022 meeting to consider having it be required to show proof of vaccination upon entering the Boxford Community Center. The Board voted in favor of the order stating upon entering the Community Center proof of vaccination is required. The Board realized that other people meet at the Community Center not just the senior population at the Council on Aging resulting in a great deal of feedback from residents. D. Taylor asked for the order to be displayed and suggested a change marked in red that read during the posted hours for activities of the Boxford Council on Aging which would modify the order. A. Constan asked to get confirmation from The Council on Aging staff on what other activities occur in the building and also what hours the Council on Aging activities occur. It was confirmed that the only other group that use the building occurred at 3:00pm on Wednesdays. A. Constan inquired about other people wanting to meet at the center. The Council on Aging Director stated that other groups have only met there in the evening hours. H. Forand suggested posting hours in order for some flexibility to include more people. A. Constan inquired about the number of seniors now not able to attend. The Director Pam Blaquiere felt that the small number of seniors that were not able to attend had already stopped attending when the mask order was put into effect. R. Fahrner stated that one goal of the Board was to increase socialization for a population that is highly at risk and also mentioned that R. Hodge spoke on the risk of isolation and depression. A. Constan **motioned** to modify the order to add the hours of the Council on Aging which would be 8:00am-4:30pm Monday through Thursday with Wednesday being 8:00-2:45pm and add those with a medical exemption for the Covid Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccination to be reviewed by the Council on Aging **seconded** by R. Fahrner as long as the hours are verified. Approved with a roll call vote. Constan Aye, Fahrner Aye, Forand Abstain. Taylor Aye.

Adjourn 7:40pm.

With no further business, on a **motion** made by H. Forand **seconded** by A. Constan, the Board of Health voted **unanimously** with a roll call vote to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Kwiatek
Minutes Secretary