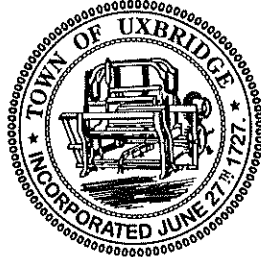


*Michael Morrisette, Chairman
Dr. David Tapscott, Vice Chair
Dr. Joann Lindenmayer, Member
Nancy Centrella, Administrative Assistant
Dr. Kristin Black, Health Agent*



**TOWN OF UXBRIDGE
BOARD OF HEALTH**
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Minutes of the Uxbridge Board of Health meeting held on Friday, March 13, 2020 at 1:30 pm in the Board of Selectmen Meeting Room, 21 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA

Present: Michael Morrisette, Chair, David Tapscott, Vice Chair and Joann Lindenmayer, Member
Also present, Kristin Black, Health Director, Steve Sette, Town Manager and Marc Montminy, Emergency Management Director/Chief of Police

Meeting called to order: The time being 1:30 pm and a quorum present, Chairman Morrisette called the emergency meeting to order.

BUSINESS

1. Novel Coronavirus Virus and School Closures

Today we are holding an emergency meeting to discuss mandating the temporary closure of Uxbridge Public Schools in response to the novel coronavirus outbreak.

Our Health Director has consulted with the Town Manager, Emergency Management Director and School Superintendent. All Board Members have reviewed information and guidance from the WHO, CDC, MDPH and other reputable sources. Available evidence suggests that aggressive mitigation measures will help to slow the spread of the virus and alleviate the pressure on our healthcare system.

On Wednesday, the World Health Organization declared the novel coronavirus outbreak a pandemic and has urged for countries to take urgent and aggressive action. On March 10th, a state of emergency was declared by the Governor of Massachusetts in response to the coronavirus outbreak. Today, the Governor announced that the state was issuing guidance that bans gatherings of more than 250 people in Massachusetts.

We have consulted with the School Superintendent, Town Manager and Emergency Management Director, Chief Montminy. This plan for a two-week school closure is supported by the Uxbridge Board of Selectmen.

We understand that this is a difficult decision and the Board makes this decision with an abundance of caution.

MOTION made by Joann Lindenmayer. "In an effort to change the course of this pandemic and protect the health of our residents, the Uxbridge Board of Health has ordered the closure of Uxbridge Public Schools for a two-week period beginning Monday, March 16th. We will re-evaluate at the end of this period when we have more information. This decision was made in consultation with the School Superintendent, Town Manager and Emergency Management Director. This plan for a two-week school closure is supported by the Uxbridge Board of Selectmen." David Tapscott seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0.

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ADJOURNMENT 1:40 pm

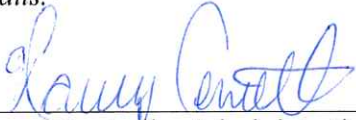
Motion: *David Tapscott moved to adjourn the meeting. Joann Lindenmayer seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0.*

Michael Morrisette, Chairman

David Tapscott, Vice Chairman

Joann Lindenmayer, Member

These minutes were approved at a Board of Health meeting held remotely on March 18, 2020. Please see attached emails.



Nancy Centrella, Administrative Assistant

Nancy Centrella

From: Joann Lindenmayer
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 10:02 AM
To: Nancy Centrella
Subject: Re: Meeting minutes

Hi Nancy,

At the 3/18/2020 Board of Health meeting, I approved the minutes of the Board of Health meeting of 3/13/2020 and I authorize Nancy Centrella to sign these minutes on my behalf.

Joann Lindenmayer

From: Nancy Centrella <NCentrella@uxbridge-ma.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 9:45 AM
To: Dr. David Tapscott <DTapscott@uxbridge-ma.gov>; Joann Lindenmayer <JLindenmayer@uxbridge-ma.gov>; Kristin Black <KBlack@uxbridge-ma.gov>; Michael Morrisette <mmorrisette@uxbridge-ma.gov>; Nancy Centrella <NCentrella@uxbridge-ma.gov>
Subject: Meeting minutes

Good Morning,

When you have a chance, please respond to this email separately, saying that you approved the meeting minutes of 2/12/2020 and 3/13/2020 at our meeting on 3/18/2020 and you give me permission to sign on your behalf. Thank you.

Regards,

Nancy Centrella
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Nancy Centrella

From: Dr. David Tapscott
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2020 10:03 AM
To: Nancy Centrella
Cc: Joann Lindenmayer; Michael Morrisette
Subject: minutes approval for 3/13

At the 3/18/2020 Board of Health meeting, I approved the minutes of the Board of Health meeting of 3/13/2020 and I authorize Nancy Centrella to sign these minutes on my behalf.

David Tapscott

David Tapscott
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