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Minutes of the Uxbridge Board of Health hybrid meeting held on August 3, 2022 at 5:30 PM

Present: Dr. David Tapscott, Chairman; Dr. Joann Lindenmayer, Vice Chair; and Dr. Cay DenHerder, Member

Also present: Erin Hightower, Health Director; Kaitlin Donahue, Health Inspector; Missy Kakela-Boisvert, Administrative Assistant and Fire Chief Dion

Join Zoom Meeting

https://uxbridge.zoom.us/j/85770829402

Meeting ID: 857 7082 9402

Meeting called to order:

The time being 5:34 PM and a quorum present, Chairman Dr. David Tapscott called the meeting to order.

Stop the Bleed Update

Chief Dion told the Board that the Fire Department is happy to collaborate with the BoH to deliver this training. Some of the staff is trained and can teach the course. Stop the Bleed kits can be costly, Erin will look into see if she can make a request for funding additional kits to PHEP. Dr. Lindenmayer will set up a meeting with the fire department.

Inspection Update

Kaitlin gave a report on some housing issues that involed chickens and rats. The BoH sent out a letter for an illegal transfer station. Erin told the Board that Town counsel sent a letter to Creso/Cultivate about odor complaints that have been received by the Town. Creso/Cultivate has created a mitigation plan which includes determination of whether their facility is the source of the odor. The plan has been reviewed and comments were submitted back to Creso/Cultivate. Their odor control with be done by adding an agent to the exhaust system.

Covid Updates

Cases for the month of June were 57 and 70 cases for the month of July. The case count does not include any home tests. Erin said she has been in contact with some school nurses. OLV is not continuing with in-school testing and it sounds like the public schools will continue testing only for students and staff who are symptomatic.

Trash and Septic Haulers

Erin explained that the owner of Marchand Environmental, a trash/septic hauler company had fabricated an inspection report for his trucks. She talked with the police department, which was very helpful. The hauler's insurance documents were also fabricated. Erin sent out a cease and desist notification but it will likely go further with the police department. There continue to be

issues with another trash hauler, CW King Disposal that is not approved and has refused to apply for a permit. Town counsel will send a demand letter to the company. Counsel will need the Board to vote to allow the letter to be sent.

Dr. David Tapscott moved to ask counsel to send a demand letter to CW King disposal.

Dr. Cay DenHerder seconds and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-

0. Dr. David Tapscott - aye, Dr. Joann Lindenmayer - aye, Dr. Cay DenHerder - aye

Resolving Discrepancies in Fee Schedule vs. Application

Missy noticed that on the fee schedule for well permits the fee was \$50.00 but on the actual application it was \$75.00. She asked the Board to let her know the correct amount. The Board agreed it was \$75.00.

Dr. Joann Lindenmayer moved for well permit fees only, to adjust the fee schedule from \$50.00 to \$75.00. Dr. Cay DenHerder seconds and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. David Tapscott – aye, Dr. Joann Lindenmayer – aye, Dr. Cay DenHerder – aye

Irrigation/Industrial Use Wells

The Board would like to remind all residents that we are currently in a drought. There is a mandatory water ban on non-essential outdoor water use for both municipal and private well users. There are exemptions for newly seeded lawns, manufacturing and agriculture. For more information residents can go to the DPW website. Dr. Tapscott is concerned about the number of irrigation wells and wells that are used for non-drinking. It taps into the same groundwater and we have no idea how much they are using and whether or not there is contamination of aquafers. It might make sense to add to our well regulations and address irrigations well in terms of cross-connections and backflow meters to protect the groundwater.

Meeting Minutes

Dr. Joann Lindenmayer moved to approve the meeting minutes for June 1, 2022. Dr. Cay DenHerder seconds and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. David Tapscott – aye, Dr. Joann Lindenmayer – aye, Dr. Cay DenHerder - aye

Dr. Cay DenHerder moved to approve the meeting minutes for July 6, 2022. Dr. Joann Lindenmayer seconds and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. David Tapscott – aye, Dr. Joann Lindenmayer – aye, Dr. Cay DenHerder - aye

Motion to adjourn:

Dr. Cay DenHerder moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm. Dr. Joann Lindenmayer seconds and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. David Tapscott – aye, Dr. Joann Lindenmayer – aye, Dr. Cay DenHerder - aye

David Tapscott, Chairman

Joann Lindenmayer, Vice Chairman

Cay DenHerder, Member