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Minutes of the Uxbridge Board of Health hybrid meeting held on April 6, 2022 at 2:00 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, Premsai Nagabhyrava (Epidemiologist) and Debra Vescera (Public Health Nurse), Elizabeth Lydon Town Counsel, Daniel Markman Health Inspector from BVPPH

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Meeting called to order:

The time being 2:00 PM and a quorum present, Chairman Dr. David Tapscott called the meeting to order.

Shared Service Grant Update (BVPPH)

The Board was introduced to Premsai Nagabhyrava (Epidemiologist) and Debra Vescera (Public Health Nurse). They are the newest additions to the Blackstone Valley Partnership for Public Health. Both of them gave some of their background and what their roles will be with BVPPH.

Vote on application status for keeping of animal applications.

The Board discussed waiving the abutter notification on current existing permits. Animal Inspector Moe Guilbault has already inspected and given his approval. These have been on hold because of the know issues with the current regulations. There were at total of 17 that were listed on the agenda.

Dr. Joann Lindenmayer moved that they waive the abutter notification for the existing 17 applications. Dr. Cay DenHerder seconded 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

Discussion on changes to Article 9: Rules and Regulations relative to the keeping, raising and exhibition of animals within the town of Uxbridge as well as the permit application for the keeping of animals (continuation)

The Board review with Town Counsel Elizabeth Lydon revised changes to Article 9: Rules and Regulations relative to the keeping, raising and exhibition of animals within the town of Uxbridge. At the next meeting the Board will vote on these revised regulations.

COVID updates

The Board is looking into testing the sewerage for COVID. DPW said it would not be a problem to sample for COVID. Since home testing is not reported, this information could help to see if we have increase in cases. The department purchased test kits via PHEP and with grant money from BVPPH. These kits are available to any resident who would like one. The department gave some to the senior center, library, churches, fire and police department and local businesses.

Monthly Reports

Health Director, Health Inspector, Administrative Assistant and Board Members talked about what they have been working on.

Uxbridge Clean Up Day - April 9th, 2022 9 am-11am

Dumpster use and permitting

Erin explained to the Board about Opengov which is the permitting software the building department is using. It allows the Boardh to flag a trash hauler who is not permitted with regards to dumpsters. It's another tool to use to make sure haulers are in compliance.

Well permits for non-potable water

Dr. Tapscott talked about well permits for 1045 Quaker Highway. He is working with DEP and the engineer to make sure they comply with either the public water supply or with Uxbridge private well regulations.

Overall Grant Updates

Motion to adjourn: Dr. Cay DenHerder moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:34pm. Dr. Joann Lindenmayer seconded 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