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Minutes
Board of Health Meeting
Members attended via a Zoom online meeting due to COVID19
March 2, 2021

Present: Brandon Robertson, Kathy Blonski, Debra Brydon, Jeff Shea, Dan Jerram, Mary Jane Parlow, Beatrice Isabelle, Joe Doering, John Ward, Dennis Brown, Tom McKeon, Warren Humphrey, Melissa Appleby, Sue Beardsley, Jadwiga Goclowski, Maura Shea, Diane Hernsdorf, Jean Donihee-Perron, Jennifer Kertanis

Not Present:

Regular Meeting

- I. **Public Comments:** Brandon Robertson opened the regular meeting at 12:00 p.m. He asked if there were any public comments, there were none.
- II. **Minutes of February 2, 2021:** Brandon Roberson asked if there were any changes or questions on the February 2nd Board Meeting Minutes. There were no comments, He asked for a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mary Jane Parlow 1st, Debra Brydon 2nd, motion passed.
- III. **Business:**
 - **Approval Board Action FY 21-22 Budget:**
 - We will have a special meeting on March 23 @ 10:00 after a public notice is published to approve budget.
 - **Other:**
 - Brandon sent out email regarding supplemental funding. Brandon and Jennifer met with town officials to see what their thoughts would be. We received a van to use from the town of Simsbury. We have a lot going on with scheduling vaccine appointments, inventory, Admin work and phone calls. We are working with UConn for volunteers for contact tracing. There is a lot that goes into setting up a clinic. We need printed documents, needles, alcohol wipes, bandages, and food for volunteers. We are asking for \$130,000 for the next 28 weeks. There was discussion regarding cash flow and use of our reserves if the even that there are delays in getting supplemental funding from the towns. Brandon mad a motion to cap use of reserves for cash flow to \$50,000. Warren Humphrey 1st Maura Shea 2nd all in favor. Brandon made a motion to official request special allocation funding from towns for supplemental COVID response relief. Dan Jerram 1st Warren Humphrey 2nd. All in favor.

- **COVID 19 Update:**

- 5th week in a row we are seeing a decline. We are back to where we were in December.
- Schools in the Farmington Valley District are in the yellow and a few are in orange.
- As of yesterday, we have administered 5,000 doses.
- Clinics are 3 days a week. We are trying to have a good geographic area to reach all of our towns.
- We will no longer be able to go to the East Granby High school because they are going back full time.
- We also went to New Horizons and Fox 61 did a piece on us vaccinating people with disabilities living in a congregated living.
- Governor announced the change in eligibility to 55+, schools and day care works. We will be focusing on school staff and daycare workers. Saturday pick a time software went live for the school staff to schedule vaccine appointments within 15 minutes we had 600 people scheduled appointments at two clinics. We will be working about 8 weeks of Saturday's 10-4 at Henry James school.
- We were asked to submit a submental form for vaccine to vaccinate the schools and daycares, we requested 1000 doses and we were told we could have 200.
- Last week we put in a request for Johnson & Johnson. We asked for 1400 doses. We will get 800 doses and Jennifer decided to use the 800 doses to vaccinate the private school staff and the CREC school next Tuesday.
- We are calling all our daycare centers to get a headcount on staff so we can get them scheduled in our current clinic. We hope to have them vaccinated by early April.

IV. OTHER:

- **Adjourn:** Brandon Robertson made a motion to adjourn, Diane Hernsdorf 1st, Jadwiga Gocłowski 2nd, all in favor, Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.