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Meeting Minutes

Board of Health Meeting

March 7, 2023

95 River Road

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12 Noon

Present: Jennifer Kertanis, Stephanie Johnson, Brandon Robertson, Debbie Brydon, Sam Carter, Jadwiga Gocłowski, Warren Humphrey, Maria Capriola, Erica Robertson (via Zoom), Chris Johnstone, Dan Jerram (via Zoom)

Brandon move to open the public hearing on the FVHD FY 23-24 Budget to order at 12:05 pm. Warren 1st and Deb Brydon 2nd. There was no public comment. Brandon motioned to close the public hearing Deb Brydon 1st and Jadwiga Gocłowski 2nd. The regular meeting was called to order at 12:07.

- I. Public comment: no public comment.
- II. Minutes of February 7, 2023: Brandon asked for a motion to accept the minutes of February 7, 2023. Maria Capriola moved to approve the minutes, Jadwiga Gocłowski seconded. All in favor. Minutes approved.
- III. **Business:**
 - a. Adoption of FY 23-24 Budget: Brandon summarized the proposed budget which includes no increase of per capita and a \$16,512 transfer from reserves, Total expenditure of \$1,870,792. Warren Humphrey moved to adopt the FY 23-24 budget with \$1,870,792 in total expenditures. Jadwiga Gocłowski seconded, all in favor. Budget adopted.
- II. IV. **Other:**
 - a. Opioid White Paper: Jennifer reported that FVHD is working on a white paper summarizing the opioid use problem in our communities and outline evidence-based practices that our member towns should consider with opioid settlement funds.
 - b. Quarterly Financial: Jennifer reported that she was one month early, Board could expect expenditure report in April. We are still awaiting information from DPH on ELC 2 budget revision. We did receive an additional NACCHO grant and will be providing a FY22-23 budget revision at the next meeting to account for this new grant.
 - c. CHA Outreach: Jennifer thanked the towns for pushing out information on the CHA. Every time it gets pushed out we get more feedback, that's what we were hoping for. Work plan is in place to start visiting community partners, present the CHA and establish work groups on different topics.
 - d. Commissioner Visit: Jennifer sent a email to the board about the commissioner visiting all the local health departments. We don't know when the visit will be. They did ask that our board

chair be present. Jennifer and Brandon will meet to discuss topics that should be discussed. A good topic would be licensing and certification.

- e. Congressional Hill Visit: Jennifer will do her visit virtually. The message is always the NACCHO agenda, but they talk about how it affects us. CADH has lots of bills being discussed. One big one is sodium chloride in private wells. Jennifer will keep everyone posted.
- f. Maria Capriola announced she will be leaving Simsbury to take another position. Maria also announced that Melisa Appleby will also be taking another position within Simsbury.

V.

Adjourn:

Deb Brydon motioned to adjourn, Warren Humphrey seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:35.