

Kayla Davis
Health Agent

Town of Mattapoisett Board of Health

16 Main Street
Mattapoisett, MA 02739

Carmelo Nicolosi
Board Member

Russell Bailey
Board Member

Kenneth Dawicki
Board Member

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: May 26, 2020

TIME: 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Mattapoisett Library

CALL IN NUMBER: 712-770-3668 code: 767817

PRESENT: Carmelo Nicolosi, Ken Dawicki, Russell Bailey, Kayla Davis, and Amanda Stone
CALL IN: Tim from Sippican Week

NOTES

The Chairman opened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

1) Discussion and possible vote on Public Health Nurse Position.

Everyone present expressed how they were impressed by all the candidates for the position. They felt that Emily Field should be offered the position.

A Motion was made to offer Emily Field the position of Public Health Nurse by Ken Dawicki and seconded by Russell Bailey.

Vote 3-0-0

Amanda Stone agreed to contact all three of the applicants, Carmelo Nicolosi will send the letters and check on the rate of pay with the Town Administrator.

Mrs. Stone will be retiring as of the end of the fiscal year but agrees to continue as vey part-time through the end of the year, or the length of time determined by the Board.

2) Discussion regarding COVID-19 and Phase one re-opening.

The Town of Mattapoisett is involved with the Cares Act for funding. They anticipate getting funding for things that have to do with Covid-19. There will be discussion with Town Administrator to put money aside.

Mr. Dawicki noted that the Public Health Nurse position requires an increased amount of work. He asked Mrs. Stone how other towns are dealing with it. She said that many are working around the clock and some are part-time so they can only do son much.

Mattapoisett currently has 29 cases, most of which are recover, some are in quarantine and some isolating. There are several calls to these people on a regular basis, and there is a 3 pages tracing form. Some cases have been transferred to the state, those that are straight forward and uncomplicated.

Mrs. Stone has been following the virus locally and globally. The people who are visiting here from out of state are supposed to self-quarantine for 14 days after arrival. Mrs. Stone expecting that there will be more cases and more contract tracing.

As of May 11th, all contacts are eligible for the molecular test.

Mr. Bailey asked if the people who are coming here from out of state or even in-state-do they count as a Mattapoisett case? Mrs. Stone answered that they will be counted as a case where they reside. Mrs. Stone should be contacted about any complaints. BOH should promote safe practices, there is a 'Safer at Home' order in Phase I. Communication & Education is so important toward being able to get to Phase II.

Kayla Davis stated that there have been a few complains a couple of weeks ago, but people seem to be following the guidelines. As far as questions for Phase II, the Governor has not come up with those orders yet. June 8th is the earliest for Phase II. Hot spots could be dog groomers, hair salons and offices. Phase I is going strong.

3) Transfer Station Discussion.

The transfer station is down two people right now, the workers have resigned, and we are working with the one employee that is left, and a helper from the Highway Department. We hope to keep the extra help on until we can hire a couple of people. Ms. Davis said that the advertisement will go out this week.

Mr. Nicolosi noted that the front-end loader is still leaking fluid and we're waiting for an estimate. It may be a job better suited to Caterpillar.

Questions from audience:

Tim from Sippican week asked for a copy of Emily Fields resume. Ms. Davis suggested that she will need to ask the Town Administrator about doing that but will let him know.

Mr. Nicolosi mentioned that camera's will be installed at the transfer station. This is as a result of some damage to the Town's boat that occurred over the winter.

Other Business:

Mrs. Stone wanted to let the Board know that she has been very happy with her job over the last 15 years and she' been happy with the job, the community and the people.

Approve meeting minutes from May 6th, 2020 meeting

A motion was made by Russell Bailey, seconded by Ken Dawicki to approve the minutes from May 6, 2020. Voted 3-0-0

Tentative Date for next meeting: Mid-June TBA

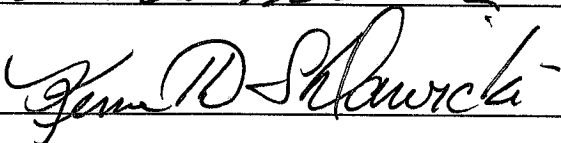
There being no further business, a motion was made by Russell Bailey, seconded by Ken Dawicki to adjourn at 4:58.p.m. Voted 3-0-0

Meeting Minutes Approval:

Carmelo Nicolosi



Kenneth Dawicki



Russell Bailey

