



Dudley Board of Health Meeting Minutes February 22, 2022

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Dudley Board of Health was called to order at 4:46PM by Jennifer Cournoyer, Chairman and the pledge was recited.

Members present: Jennifer Cournoyer -Chairman, Roberta Johnson - Public Health Nurse, Lorri Ducharme
Also Present: Camille Griffin – Health Agent

Boards of Health Tobacco Control Alliance

Jennifer Cournoyer – We have not heard from Joan, and she is not here so something must have come up for her. We will table this until next month's meeting and move right on.

Discussion of Earth Day and Bike Rodeo

Jennifer Cournoyer – Earth Day this year is Friday April 22nd. We can plan our celebration of it for that Saturday which is April 23rd. Whenever we have it, we usually do it around April vacation.

Roberta Johnson – If we do it the 23rd we can have the bags available in the Board of Health office so that people can pick them up and do it anytime they want that week. It doesn't have to be just that day.

Jennifer Cournoyer – I will talk to Jeff about use of the highway garage for the event. I will also go to the selectmen's meeting to get approval to hold the event that day. We will do some brainstorming for prizes and things we can hand out. We want it to be something that we can give out that gives back. We can also apply for the grant from Last Green Valley to help with expenses.

Jennifer Cournoyer- For the Bike Rodeo we are looking to do a date in June. We will need to decide what groups we want to reach out to for help that day.

Roberta Johnson– We had the boy scouts there last year. What if we ask the girl scouts for this year's event?

Jennifer Cournoyer – I like that idea. Once we have a final date, we can have Amanda arrange that.

Lorri Ducharme – I will reach out to the Boston's Children's Hospital to see if they can be apart of the event this year. They are the ones who donated the helmets last year.

Jennifer Cournoyer – Yes let's see what they have to offer.

COVID Protocols and Public Health Nurse Update

Roberta Johnson – The only update or big change is the mask requirements in schools. As of February 28th, masks are no longer required in school. We did well at our vaccine clinics held here at the town hall. Things are starting to shift in the way we handle COVID cases. Public Health officials are asking boards of health's to reach out to just special populations like the elderly or children. We are no longer asked to do contact tracing. People should be reaching out more to their doctors if they have questions or concerns.

Health Agent Report/Comments

Camille Griffin – We have had a couple of housing complaints and a couple of nuisance complaints come in. We are looking into Frozen Dessert licenses. We only have one ice cream place in town and maybe one dining hall at Nichols College that might be selling soft serve ice cream. We do have new inspection software that we have begun using. I did submit a grant request for summer interns for both towns. This is for graduate students, and it will be a huge help for both Webster and Dudley. We still have not filled the Regional Health Inspector Position. We were close, but it fell through. We will be reposting the position soon.

Approval of Minutes from January 11, 2022

Roberta Johnson makes a motion to approve the minutes as written
Lorri Ducharme seconds the motion
Board Votes – passes unanimously

Approval of 2022 Meeting Schedule

Lorri Ducharme makes a motion to approve the schedule
Roberta Johnson seconds the motion
Board Votes – passes unanimously

Public/Board Comments

None

Adjourn

Roberta Johnson makes a motion to adjourn
Lorri Ducharme seconds the motion
Board Votes – passes unanimously

Meeting adjourned 5:09PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Jacobson
Board of Health Clerk