

# Dudley Board of Health Meeting Minutes July 20, 2021

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Dudley Board of Health was called to order at 4:39pm by Jennifer Cournoyer, Chairman.

*Members present:* Jennifer Cournoyer -Chairman, Roberta Johnson - Public Health Nurse, Lorri Ducharme Also Present: Sargent Dean Poplowski – Dudley Police

## **Bicycle Safety Event**

Roberta Johnson – We are looking to hold a bike safety event for the children in Dudley. I've seen a lot of kids around town, not riding with helmets or being unsafe on their bikes and thought that this would be a good community event to start up each year. I had contacted Sargent Poplowski to see if the police can work with us to make it happen.

Dean – We used to do this event and we called it Bicycle Rodeo. I think it's a really good idea to bring it back to town. It would be good to get the fire department involved as well. The kids would see the people that would be there to help them should they get hurt.

Jennifer – It's already late to plan something for this summer so we can plan something smaller for September and then plan bigger for next year. Let's set a tentative date of Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup> from 1-3. We will call it The Bicycle Rodeo like we used to. This event will be held pending board of selectmen approval. Roberta will reach out to the fire department to get their involvement. Lorri will reach out to local businesses to see if anyone wants to donate something to give all the participants (ex. Coupon for free ice cream cone). I will get on the agenda of the Board Selectmen meeting to get their approval and will work on coming up with passbooks that the kids can have stamped for participating.

#### Webster Dudley Agreement for shared Health Agent Services

Jennifer – We are looking to get a shared health agent with the town of Webster. As I get more information we will discuss.

### Appoint George Slingo as Perc Agent/Title V

Lorri – made a motion to appoint George Slingo as Perc Agent/Title V Roberta – seconds the motion Board votes and it passes unanimously

## Accept Minutes from May 18, 2021

Roberta makes a motion to accept the minutes as they are Lorri – seconds the motion
Board votes and it passes unanimously

## **Town Demographics and Vaccine Data**

Roberta – 5,843 residents have been fully vaccinated as of June. This is out of a population of 12,470. It breaks down by the following categories

12-15 144 fully vaccinated 50-64 1756 fully vaccinated 16-19 328 fully vaccinated 65-74 918 fully vaccinated 20-29 636 fully vaccinated 75+ 561 fully vaccinated 30-49 1500 fully vaccinated

# COIVD Update & Public Health Nurse Report

Roberta – We went up as high as 7 COVID cases and now we are down to 5. It's something that is still there so everyone still needs to be mindful. We have also received a few calls on Lyme disease cases. We must remember that we can get a tick anywhere, so we have to be diligent about doing skin checks. We've also received some calls with questions about what the schools will be doing this fall as well as the college. This is not something we will know probably for several more weeks.

## **Health Agent Report**

Jennifer – We've had a lot of rain in a short amount of time. If you notice something off give us a call but you might also want to give it a couple of days. There's a lot of water with no where to go. I will be going on a Nichols tour tomorrow as they have a new food service provider. I will be looking to see how they are doing.

### **Public/Board Comments**

Jennifer – The playground at the town hall is closed for safety reasons. The town is working on getting that reopened hopefully soon.

#### Adjourn

Roberta – makes a motion to adjourn Lorri – seconds the motion Board votes and it passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Jacobson
Board of Health Clerk