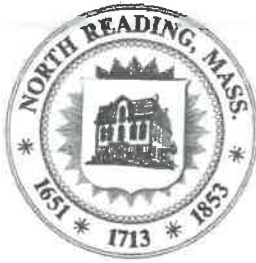


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**North Reading Board of Health Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2020
Teleconference/ Virtual**

Members Present: Gary Hunt, Chairman
Pamela Vath
Karen Martin

Others Present: Robert Bracey, Health Agent North Reading
Mary Samost

7:00 PM

Mr. Gary Hunt opened the meeting

Minutes

Minutes to be approved at a future meeting.

Public Comment

Andrew Schultz: You are all doing a great job and I want to thank you.

Health Department Announcements

None

Community Health Liaison Report

None

Community Impact Team Report

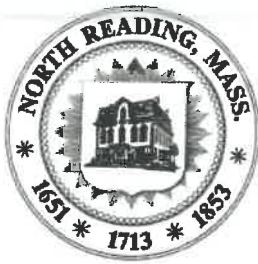
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New Business:

COVID-19

Currently North Reading has 59 confirmed cases of these cases there are 33 Female and 26 Male. 25 cases have been released as the persons have recovered. There has been one (1) COVID-19 related death. The additional nursing students have been doing a great job.

Royal Meadowview has an individual that has tested positive for COVID-19. The individual is in the hospital now, then moving to a COVID-19 facility. Royal Meadowview had taken



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precautions to prevent infection in the facility for example staff assessments, facial covering and restricting the amount of visitors. A request has been by the Health Department to have all the staff and residents be tested by the National Guard. Royal Meadowview requested the test kits earlier this week (4/14/2020). The Health Department has been helping Royal Meadowview to obtain the tests by contacting the State COVID-19 Team regarding the status of the request and the anticipated delivery date for the kits. Pam Vath will receive the results of this testing via Maven.

Mr. Bracey reports that businesses have been very receptive to the Order of the Board of Health Restricting the number of Persons in Essential Business Establishments. It has helped the establishments maintain control measures. Throughout the week we have been monitoring and assessing the need for further precautions. Businesses would welcome facial coverings for both residents and employees.

Review and discussion regarding the Order Requiring Facial Covering.

Gary Hunt motioned to approve the Order Requiring Facial Covering to further protect the citizens from the spread of COVID-19 contingent upon the review and acceptance of edits being made.

Motion seconded by Karen Martin

All members voted unanimously in favor.

Discussion regarding the warmer weather and what social distancing would look like. A subcommittee maybe formed to be ahead of the issue. Waiting for guidance from the Governor's Office, at this time.

Title V Inspections continue to take place. Alexander Parker has been helping with soil testing and Bob has been continuing to do field inspections.

Next meeting to be held 4/23/2020 at 7:00pm


Karen Martin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm

Motion seconded by Gary Hunt

All members voted unanimously in favor.

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