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**North Reading Board of Health Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2020
Teleconference/Virtual**

Members Present: Gary Hunt, Chairman
Karen Martin
Pamela Vath

Others Present:

Robert Bracey, Health Agent North Reading	Michael Gilleberto Town Administrator
Stephanie Connolly	Mary Samost
Amy DiChiara	Resident Mills-1001
Steven O'Leary	Abigail Hurlbut

7:00 PM

Mr. Gary Hunt opened the meeting.

Minutes

Previous minutes have been approved and posted to the Board of Health website.

New Business:

Public Comment:

Nurse Intern MGH

Pam Vath and Bob Bracey have reviewed the agreement that was sent for review regarding a student intern. This agreement was edited to be more in line with what the Health/Board of Health needs are. One of the thoughts is that the intern can work on an emergency dispense site plan for COVID vaccines. The deadline for the potential student to be approved for this assignment via the school would be mid-December.



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Community Incident Rate

At this time North Reading is currently in the yellow category. North Reading has had a total of 271 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Of those 271 cases 245 have recovered, and the Health Department is currently monitoring 12 active cases. There has been a total of 14 deaths, 12 of these were confirmed COVID-19 cases at or associated with the Meadow View Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Amongst North Reading residents, there has been one death from a confirmed case and one death from a suspected case.

Public Health Nurse Position

No new applications have been received for this position. The main focus of this position right now will be to focus on COVID-19 matters.

Halloween

Trick or treating will be held on Saturday October 31, 2020 from 5:30-7:30. Public Safety and Board of Health have put together a flyer with tips for safe trick or treating. The announcement has been posted to the Health Department website.

Mike's Roast Beef and Pizza

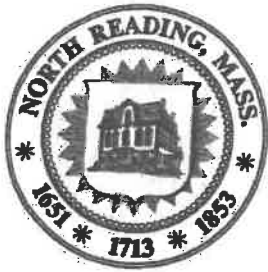
A new applicant has contacted the Health Department regarding this location. Mr. Bracey has met with the new applicant and his Lawyer to go over the application process. At this time the Health Department has not received an application from this individual.

Influenza Vaccine Clinics

As of 10/20/2020 in partnership with CVS and Wal-Mart there have been 21 Influenza clinics in North Reading. All of the clinics have been a great success.

Public Health Volunteer group

Pam and Karen have meet with John regarding volunteers assisting with the website, preforming a needs assessment and researching cancer rates in the community.



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Next Board of Health Meeting is scheduled for 11/5/2020 @ 7pm.

Pam Vath motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm.

Motion seconded by Karen Martin.

All members voted unanimously in favor.

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