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# North Reading Board of Health Meeting Minutes May 14, 2020 Teleconference/ Virtual

Members Present:

Gary Hunt, Chairman

Pamela Vath Karen Martin

Others Present:

Robert Bracey, Health Agent North Reading

Mary Samost

Amy DiCharia

**Dallas Bailey** 

Carol (Screen name)

7:00 PM

Mr. Gary Hunt opened the meeting

**Minutes** 

Minutes to be reviewed at a future meeting.

**Public Comment** 

**Health Department Announcements** 

None

Community Health Liaison Report

None

Community Impact Team Report

None

#### New Business:

#### COVID-19

Pam Vath Public Health Nurse reports that Royal Meadow View Center is doing well at thistime. A nurse at the facility has spoken to the change that has taken place within the facility, more Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) has been made available, and nutrition has improved as well as cohorting of residents. Royal Meadow View has also established hydration stations to better assist the residents. Communication between family members has improved. Current cases of COVID-19 in North Reading include 107 confirmed with 88 of these released from isolation. The Health Department is currently monitoring 68 patients. There have been, 13 confirmed deaths and 1 suspect death.



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Mr. Bracey has submitted the necessary paperwork for additional funding, this will allow for securing more Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). An intern will be assisting Pam with data collection as well as a food service checklist. Stop and Shop has made a donation of 500 masks to the Town for seniors. Mr. Bracey is working with Jennifer Ford to get more food donations for the Food Pantry.

Hillview Golf Course update: Operations seem to be going well at this time. Mr. Carter has increased the amount of staff working in order to maintain compliance with the guidelines. The use of carts has been allowed for those with medical conditions that would require them.

Graduation: The statement prepared by the Board has been posted.

Order to all Long Term Care, Nursing, Developmental, Recovery and Group Home Facilities was discussed. Some edits/ revisions were made to the document such as change of dates. The revised copy was emailed back out to the Board members for approval.

**Karen Martin motioned** to approve the Order to all Long Term Care, Nursing, Developmental, Recovery and Group Home Facilities as written and dated 5/14/2020

Motion seconded by Gary Hunt

All members voted unanimously in favor.

A sub-committee has been formed with the following members: Karen Martin, Mary Samost, Amy DiChiara, and Stephanie Connolly to discuss the re-opening of businesses, ect. during the pandemic.

Next meeting to be held 5/21/2020 at 7:00pm

Pam Vath motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm Motion seconded by Gary Hunt
All members voted unanimously in favor.

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