

## **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Elaine M. Silva, Chair Candace Linehan Laurel Skinder Gourville

**PRESENT:** Elaine Silva, Chair

Candace Linehan, Vice Chair Laurel Gourville, Secretary Ruth L. Clay, Health Director PUBLIC PRESENT:

## ---- TOPICS OF DISCUSSION ----

The Wakefield Board of Health held their monthly meeting remotely on Wednesday, April 21, 2021.

Call to Order Chairperson Silva called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Public Participation None

Approval of Minutes

Gourville moved to approve the minutes of as March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as submitted seconded by Linehan. Motion passed 3- 0-0. Gourville yes, Linehan yes, Silva yes.

Board of Health member for interview committee The Board of Health discussed which member would like be on the interview committee for the Health Director position. Applicants will have until April 30<sup>th</sup> to apply. On the interview committee is current health director Ruth Clay, both communities' human resource directors, board of health member Carol Ann Licitria for Melrose and board of health member Elaine Silva for Wakefield.

## Health Directors Report

- Clay sent the BOH the latest Covid data spreadsheet. Covid numbers are better, however with people traveling for April school vacation that could change again.
- The \$50,000 covid earmark is almost spent. That money was used for all contact tracing.
- Wakefield vaccinations at Harts Hill is next week. After May 1<sup>st</sup> the homebound vaccination requests will go to the state.



- Comverse building supplies are packed up and will get moved to the health department's room at the Hurd School.
- BOH member Gourville would like to work with Communications manager, Jenn McDonald, on getting more messaging out to the public regarding mask wearing and the importance of knowing that COVID 19 is still here. BOH Chair Silva spoke about people returning from school vacation travel and possible rise in the covid cases.

Business which has arisen since the posting of the meeting none

- 1. Agenda
- 2. Draft Minutes from March 17thh, 2021
- 3. Covid Cases Spreadsheet

Next meeting will be Wednesday May 21 2021 @ 7PM

Materials Distributed Meeting adjourned at 07:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted

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