

DRAFT February 6, 2019

**Wallingford Board of Health
45 South Main Street, Town Hall
Minutes of February 6, 2019**

Call to Order: 8:31 a.m. by Stephen Civitelli, DOH.

Present: Mayor Dickinson, Isaac Cardona, Dave Juliano, Jeffrey Necio, Daryll Porto, Melinda Schoen, Kathy Neelon, Stephen Civitelli

Excused: Len Guercia

Guests: None

Minutes from December 5, 2018 were approved as distributed

Directors Report (See attached):

1. **Communicable Illness:** The health department is monitoring incidental measles exposures. There is no public health concern based on investigations conducted by the Health Department.
2. **School Health:** Kathy Neelon stated there was a slight increase in influenza cases in the school system. The situation will continue to be monitored.
3. **Environmental:** Stephen stated that the revised Chapter 122 for Food Establishments has been submitted to the Law department and is under review. FDA Model Food Code in December of 2018 full adoption was delayed until January 1, 2020 per CT DPH. Potential restructuring of fees was discussed amongst the board.
 - Stephen stated the Certified Profession Food Manager (CPFM) Course held on January 22, 2019 had 18 participants.
 - Stephen stated license renewal of Salon, Nail and Tattoo facilities will begin soon as the licenses expired March 31st of 2019.
 - Stephen informed the board of a law that was put into place last legislative session revolving around universal permits for itinerant food vendors. Currently local health departments and CT DPH are evaluating repealing this law as it will have a negative impact on food protection.
4. **PHEP:** Stephen noted trainings scheduled through June are as follows: 2 Narcan Response, 2 Mental Health First Aid, 2 Active Shooter Courses, 2 Until Health Arrives Courses. These will be made available to MRC volunteers and the general public.
 - A Tabletop exercise is in the early stages of planning and will be based on response to an Emerging Infectious Disease (Pandemic Flu)
 - Annex to Mass Dispensing Plan is being crafted to include the vaccination model per Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Changing from the "pills to people model"/anthrax will be updated in the MDA plan.
 - Stephen and board member Lenny Guercia were recently sworn in as Deputy Emergency Managers for the Town
5. **Administrative:** Vanessa Bautista, BSc, R.S. was promoted to Senior Sanitarian in December. Vanessa conducted herself as a professional throughout the process and stood out amongst the candidates for the position. This has left a vacant position of Sanitarian which is currently in process of being filled.
 - The Health Department has been working with the Law and Police Department on crafting a local ordinance raising the age to purchase Tobacco and Electronic Smoking Devices from the current 18 to 21 years of age. The proposal is currently in draft form and is being modified based on input from the Town Council.
 - The 2018 Annual Report was presented to the board and highlighted some areas specifically, Environmental Health activities, Health Education, and Public Health Emergency Preparedness. The 10 essential services required to be provided to the community based on state statute was also highlighted with examples of how these services are provided.

Next Meeting: May 1, 2019

Meeting adjourned 9:20 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen A. Civitelli, RS, MPH
Director of Health