TOWN OF MILTON
MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH
Monday, November 2, 2020
7:30 p.m.
Remote via Zoom

Attending:
Laura T. Richards, Esq, Chair
Mary F. Stenson, BSN, R.N., Secretary
Roxanne Musto, RN-C, MS, ANP, Member
Caroline A. Kinsella, BSN, RN, RS, Health Director, Public Health Nurse
Laura DelleChiaie, BS, Health Agent
Jean M. Peterson, Senior Administrative Clerk
*Dr. Compagnone was not present for this meeting.

1. **Administrative Tasks:**
The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. **Board of Health discussion with Health Department and Animal Control Officer and potential vote to approve and adopt the proposed amendments for the “Keeping of Animals in the Town of Milton Regulations.”**
Health Agent Laura DelleChiaie, along with input from Animal Control Officer, Nancy Bersani, reviewed each amendment of the proposed Regulations with the Board. They reviewed definitions, language options and made edits accordingly. The Health Agent explained that Town Counsel Kevin Freytag informed her that the Regulations would go into effect after publication in the Milton Times which is a two week timeframe. Chair Richards made a motion to vote to approve the Regulations based upon the Board’s changes. The Board voted all in favor of the proposed Regulations which would thereby be adopted two weeks from tonight’s meeting, November 16, 2020. The Health Director informed the Board that all edits would be noted and submitted to Town Counsel for final review. The Health Director also noted that this timeframe will result in a slight gap in the timeframe allotted to the Hatchers at 102 Brook Road whereby their 60 day Correction Order violation expires tomorrow. The Board offered Ms. Hatcher a choice between paying $1.00 per day for every day that she is in violation or relocate her chickens inside for the next 14 days. Ms. Hatcher opted to pay the fee. She commended the Board for their assistance and for adopting Regulations which allow her and all Milton residents to keep chickens.

3. **Discussion and vote on mask advisory**
The Board referred to Governor Baker’s announcement today which requires that masks be worn in all public places regardless of whether people are at a six foot distance from one another. The Governor’s order now overrides any decisions on this matter previously made by local Boards of Health.
4. **Health Director Report**
   - Successful Town-wide and employee flu clinics were held in late October. 286 residents, including 70 children were vaccinated at the Town-wide clinic. A children’s flu clinic will be held at Pierce Middle School; details to be determined.
   - Milton was in the COVID 19 “Red Zone” for two weeks before moving into the “yellow zone” last week. Cases are coming from everywhere and are comprised of residents of all ages, with a higher spike within the younger age groups.
   - Ms. Kinsella spoke to Town Administrator Michael Dennehy regarding a possible Assistant Health Director position. Mr. Dennehy stated that this request must be presented to the Personnel Board before a potential start date of July 1, 2021.
   - Bay State Community Services is applying for a new grant, MassCALL3. The communities of Quincy, Braintree, Milton, Weymouth and Randolph are applying as a cluster for said DPH BSAS Grant which will emphasize the prevention and reduction in the use of alcohol, nicotine and cannabis among youth.

5. **Next Meeting Date:**
   Next meeting to be held December 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

6. **Adjournment**
   The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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Mary F. Stenson
Secretary