

TOWN OF KILLINGWORTH

Public Health Agency

323 Route 81

Killingworth, CT 06419

MINUTES

September 14, 2011

Members Present: Chair Natalie Ortoli Drew, Holly Darin, Esq., Brian Fitzsimmons, Martha Hogan, Sue Nesci, Ernest Pizzuto, RS, First Selectwoman Catherine lino, and Interim Health Director Thad King, MPH, RS

Absent: Gene Bagnoli and Ingrid O'Donnell

Chair Natalie Ortoli Drew called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

Minutes

MOTION: Holly Darin moved to accept the minutes of the August 10, 2011 meeting. Brian Fitzsimmons seconded. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortoli Drew, Holly Darin, Brian Fitzsimmons, Sue Nesci, and Ernest Pizzuto. Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 0 . The motion carried: 5:0:0.

Town Information Meeting-Discussion

The committee discussed preparations for the town informational meeting.

Agenda – The agenda will include the following: introduction of the moderator, introductory remarks by the First Selectman, a presentation summarizing the public health agency's findings and recommendations, a health district overview, questions and answers. Cathy lino agreed to ask Rick Albrecht to serve as moderator.

Presentation Review – The committee reviewed and made suggestions for changes on the draft Powerpoint presentation.

Review of town public health preparedness

The committee briefly discussed the public health response to Hurricane Irene.

Food Services -Cathy lino reported that the town's restaurant sanitarian called food service establishments in town regarding state guidelines for food safety. In response to committee questions, Thad King explained that in the Chatham Health District, sanitarians distributed notices, inspected and then re-inspected before opening over 200 food service sites. Brian Fitzsimmons reported that one restaurant, which has sites in both Killingworth and the Chatham Health District, noted the difference in response. There were with no notices or inspections at its Killingworth site.

Water quality – Cathy lino reported that the town called Chatham Health District to get information on how to respond to questions regarding state boil water advisories.

Natalie Drew recommended that the committee work with the town's emergency response services to improve public health preparedness, communication and services for future emergencies.

First Selectman Update

Cathy lino reported that the Board of Selectman had not yet set a date for a town meeting to vote on the proposal to either join the Chatham Health District or to hire a part-time MPH, RS to perform public health services for the town. She also reported that the one qualified candidate for the part-time MPH, RS position is still available.

MOTION: Holly Darin moved to adjourn the meeting. Martha Hogan seconded. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortoli Drew, Holly Darin, Martha Hogan, Sue Nesci, and Ernest Pizzuto. Opposed: 0 Abstentions: 0.. The motion carried: 5:0:0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Nesci

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Secretary