

Town of Killingworth

Public Health Agency
323 Route 81
Killingworth, CT 06419

MINUTES
January 9, 2013

Members Present: Chair Natalie Ortoli Drew, Brian Fitzsimmons, Martha Hogan, Laurie Kumnick, Sue Nesci, Ernest Pizzuto, RS, and Health Director Maura Esposito, RS, MPH

Absent: Barbara Klein and Steve Vegliante, RPh

Chair Natalie Ortoli Drew called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Minutes

MOTION- Brian Fitzsimmons moved and Ernest Pizzuto seconded acceptance of the December 12, 2012 minutes. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortoli Drew, Brian Fitzsimmons, Sue Nesci, and Ernest Pizzuto; Opposed: 0; Abstentions: Laurie Kumnick. The motion carried: 4:0:1

Health Director Update

Maura Esposito gave the following updates:

Reportable Diseases – The committee reviewed the monthly reportable disease report. Maura noted that there has been an uptick in the number of flu cases in the town and state. The state health department website has a breakdown of flu cases.

Environmental - . Maura reviewed the following statistics: Septic inspections: soil testing-repairs-3; plan review-repairs 1; B 100s-2; final inspections: well abandonment: 1; pump-out permits: 48.

Maura reported that the well at Sheldon field was dismantled because the well casing was below grade. The well casing at Parmalee Farms needs to be raised, and the well at the library is at capacity may need future pump repair.

Food Service – A letter will go out before spring to town groups that provide temporary food service with guidelines and an explanation of what is expected.

Health Promotion - Fifty radon kits are available free to town residents during Radon Awareness Month in January. Killingworth-Haddam PATCH, Killingworth Today and the Krier have notices on kit availability. This is the time of year to test when houses are closed and heating systems on. If a home has high radon in the air or water, both should be tested:

Maura is working on an article on carbon monoxide monitors and testing for carbon monoxide.

Chatham health district has a grant to conduct a community health needs assessment for Middlesex County. The grant will include use of open space and physical activity opportunities, for instance the hiking trails at Parmalee Farm.

The Estuary Council provides medical transportation and meals on wheels in Killingworth. Maura will send out statistics on their services after the meeting.

Budget – The committee reviewed the proposed budget for the public health department. Maura noted that there was a request for an increase in staff time by two hours and in water testing fees. Budgets will go to the Finance Committee in February. The committee requested information on income from fees, which Maura will research and send out after the meeting. They also requested periodic updates on income and expenditures.

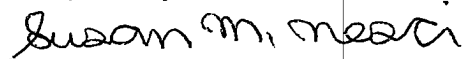
Maura noted that the Chatham Health District provides coverage for environmental services when she is out of town.

MOTION: Brian Fitzsimmons moved and Ernest Pizzuto seconded a motion to adjourn. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortoli Drew, Brian Fitzsimmons, Martha Hogan, Laurie Kumnick, Sue Nesci, Ernest Pizzuto, RS; Opposed: 0; Abstentions :0. The motion carried: 6:0:0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

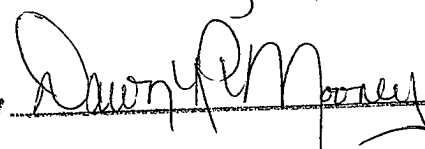
The next meeting will be February 13, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan M. Nesci
Secretary

Rec'd January 11, 2013 at 11:50 A.M.


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Town Clerk