

TOWN OF KILLINGWORTH

Public Health Agency

323 Route 81

Killingworth, CT 06419

MINUTES

February 11, 2015

Members Present: Chair Natalie Ortolí Drew, Betty Dennis, Cheryl Fine, Sue Nesci, Ernest Pizzuto, RS and Health Director Paul Hutcheon

Members Absent: Martha Hogan, Catherine lino, Barbara Klein, and Daniel Ott

Chair Natalie Ortolí Drew called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

Minutes

MOTION: Ernest Pizzuto moved and Betty Dennis seconded acceptance of the January 14th minutes. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortolí Drew, Betty Dennis, Cheryl Fine, and Ernest Pizzuto; Opposed: 0; Abstain: Sue Nesci. The motion carried 4:0:1

Health Director Update

Paul noted that there is one remaining vacancy, a representative from the school district, on the Public Health Agency. He reported that he will be on vacation February 22-27. Jim Monopoli, Health Director for the Connecticut River Area Health District will cover while Paul is on vacation. Paul provided the following updates on some of the ten essential health department services.

Monitor health status- Fifty free radon kits were distributed last month. Twenty were exposed with results ranging from .3-17.9. Seven results were above the action level of 4.0. Homeowners have received their individual results and the health department received a compiled report.

The committee reviewed the monthly and year-to-date communicable disease report.

Inform and Educate- The Health Department's page on the town website has been revised and updated.

Mobilize Community Partners- A community health assessment was completed for Middlesex County under grant funds administered by the Chatham Health District. Paul attended a meeting of several Middlesex County Directors of Health on how to continue conducting community health assessments now that grant funding is no longer available.

Develop Policies and Plans – The committee reviewed past discussions on smoking in parks and recommended reviewing any existing policies or practices. Sue Nesci noted that the Haddam-Killingworth Youth and Family Services reported in the *Killingworth Krier* that they posted no tobacco use signs at Region 17 District schools and parks. She will contact Youth and Family Services, the Parks and Recreation committee, Parmalee Farms and the First Selectman to assess any policies or problems the town or these locations have in their jurisdictions.

Paul drafted salon operational guidelines since there are no state standards but state law requires inspection of salons for sanitary conditions. There are three salons in town. The guidelines are based on a model used by local health departments. The guidelines will go to the Board of Selectmen for approval.

Enforce laws/regulations to protect public health- Paul drafted a report on the average time to conduct food service establishment inspection by the class of the establishment.

He met with representatives from the Connecticut River Area Health Districts and building officials from surrounding towns to review EPA lead paint repair, renovation, and painting rule. They discussed insuring that more contractors are trained in the rule.

MOTION- Ernest Pizzuto moved and Betty Dennis seconded a motion of adjourn. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortolini Drew, Betty Dennis, Cheryl Fine, Sue Nesci, Ernest Pizzuto; Opposed: 0; Abstentions: 0. The motion carried: 5:0:0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:10pm. The next meeting will be March 11th.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Nesci

Susan Nesci, Secretary