

TOWN OF KILLINGWORTH

Public Health Agency
323 Route 81
Killingworth, CT 06419

MINUTES
April 8, 2015

Members Present: Chair Natalie Ortolini Drew, Betty Dennis, Cheryl Fine, Cathy Iino, Sue Nesci, Dan Ott, Ernest Pizzuto, RS and Health Director Paul Hutcheon

Members Absent: Martha Hogan and Barbara Klein

Chair Natalie Ortolini Drew called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Minutes

MOTION: Ernest Pizzuto moved and Betty Dennis seconded acceptance of the March 11th minutes. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortolini Drew, Betty Dennis, Cheryl Fine, Cathy Iino, Sue Nesci, Dan Ott, and Ernest Pizzuto; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 0. The motion carried 7:0:0.

First Selectman Update

Cathy Iino reported on the following:

- There are about 40 attendees at the Estuary Council senior lunch café for on Wednesdays at the Congregational Church.
- The town is in the middle of the budget process.

Health Director Update Paul provided the following updates on some of the ten essential health department services.

Monitor health status- Paul responded to questions from a couple of folks with high readings from the radon kits. The kits contained information on interpreting the reading levels and abatement procedures. Several unused kits were returned and re-distributed to those on a waiting list.

The committee reviewed the monthly and year-to-date communicable disease reports. Paul noted that the Connecticut Registration Report from the state health department, although it reports 2010 data, can be used for community health assessment.

Inform & Educate- Paul sent out a news release on the functions of a local health department.

Develop Policies and Plans – Paul attended a meeting on the summer farmers market at Parmalee Farm and reviewed again how the temporary food event process would apply to vendors.

Proposed regulations for salons have been sent to Board of Selectman. Paul will also send the draft proposal to salons in town for their review.

The committee continued discussion on smoking or tobacco use in town outdoor recreational areas. They reviewed news reports on Madison's new ordinance that included separate smoking areas. The committee again discussed an approach using signs and other environmental cues to discourage tobacco use. Dan Ott reported that Little League to T-ball up to 12 year olds bans tobacco use by coaches. Cathy lino suggested that Sue Nesci contact the Healthy Community, Health Kids coalition regarding funding for signs at town parks. The committee also suggested checking on policies for state parks.

Paul and Cathy lino reviewed several proposed bills in the state legislature that might affect the town, including a "cottage food industry" proposal to allow food prepared at home to be sold and expanding pesticide protections currently at schools to parks.

Enforce laws/regulations to protect public health- Paul reported that the Board of Selectman approved a contracted part-time food inspector. A contract has been sent out to a qualified candidate for the position. The contracted food inspector will be used to keep regular food inspections on schedule as needed, especially during the busy season for the Health Director with environmental permits and inspections

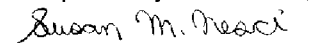
Paul reported that the state has conditionally approved a shared septic system septic for a house and pool bathhouse. The approval is pending a spring dig-out of the system to insure there is required sufficient separation.

The committee reviewed the March detail on inspection reports. Paul explained in response to questions from the committee on how complaints against food, salons and other establishments are followed up with inspections and disclosure rules on reporting.

MOTION- Dan Ott moved and Betty Dennis seconded a motion of adjourn. Voting in favor: Natalie Ortolli Drew, Betty Dennis, Cheryl Fine, Cathy lino, Sue Nesci, Dan Ott, and Ernest Pizzuto; Opposed: 0; Abstentions: 0. The motion carried: 7:0:0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm. The next meeting will be May 13th.

Respectfully submitted,


Susan Nesci, Secretary