

TOWN OF KILLINGWORTH

Public Health Agency

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Killingworth, CT 06419

MINUTES

August 12, 2015

Members Present: Chair Natalie Ortoli Drew, Betty Dennis, Cheryl Fine, Cathy lino, Sue Nesci, and Health Director Paul Hutcheon

Members Absent: Martha Hogan, Barbara Klein, and Ernest Pizzuto

Chair Natalie Ortoli Drew called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

Minutes

MOTION: Cathy lino moved and Betty Dennis seconded acceptance of the July 8th minutes. Voting in favor: Betty Dennis, Natalie Ortoli Drew, Cheryl Fine, Cathy lino, and Sue Nesci; Opposed: 0; Abstain: 0. The motion carried 5:0:0.

First Selectman Update

Cathy lino reported the following:

- The well that serves town hall, the firehouse, dog pound and new Emergency Operations Center tested positive for total coli form bacteria. The well has been flushed and the well head has been replaced.
- The town is looking at an age-friendly community initiative as part of a 17 town coalition. The initiative will look at the needs of the aging population. Cathy noted that the Jensen's age 55 and older community represents 10% of the town's population.

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

Conduct Assessment Activities- Paul gave an update on a proposal for a state health department lead grant of @\$2,500 available for programs and services that focus on prevention and reduction of lead paint. Paul said that he still planned to collaborate with the Connecticut River Valley Health District and work with local building officials to insure that contractors doing home repairs are RP/EPA trained and certified in lead paint abatement on homes built prior to 1978. He added that he has revised his proposal to use the funding to pay for training classes for contractors applying for permits who are not yet certified. The health district public health nurse and community coordinator would maintain a list of certified contractors. The committee recommended adding a question on certification when contractors take out a building permit. Paul will check to see if the form can be modified.

Inform & Educate about Public Health- Paul sent out a news release on precautions to take during excessive heat conditions. He added that he plans to send out a release on lead paint abatement to alert home owners to look for RP/EPA certified contractors.

Develop Public Health Policies and Plans – Paul noted that both the town and state annual reports are due. The committee reviewed the report for July and the year. Paul will follow up on several requests for more information and definitions on items in the report. He noted that he took a training class on the state new MAVEN health reporting system. Local health departments input their reports on the new computerized system.

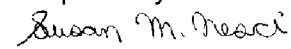
Sue Nesci reported that there has been no further progress on the smoking in parks issue.

Enforce Public Health Laws and Regulations- Paul is developing guidance for food service establishments on procedures for power outages. The question arose after a recent storm disrupted power and as a result water from wells. He noted that food service establishments without generators have to close during a power outage of five to six hours.

The committee discussed filling two vacancies. Paul will follow up with six people who have expressed interest in serving on the committee.

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

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm. The next meeting will be September 9th.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Nesci, Secretary