

East Longmeadow Board of Health Agenda

Wednesday, May 1, 2019; 5:30 p.m. at East Longmeadow Town Hall. Town Manager's Conference Room, 60 Center Square, East Longmeadow

Board of Health Members Present: Dr. Sarah Perez McAdoo, Karen Robitaille, R.N., and Dr. Kevin Hinchey

Health Department Staff Present: Aimee Petrosky, Alix Shipman, and Donna Bowman

Visitor: Heather-Lee Marsh

Topic	Discussion/Action Taken/Decision Made
Call to order and Chair Announcements	Meeting called to order by Chair, Dr. Sarah Perez McAdoo at 5:32 p.m.
Approve minutes of previous meetings: March 20, 2019	Vote Motion to approve minutes from March 20, 2019, was made by Dr. Kevin Hinchey and seconded by Dr. Sarah Perez McAdoo out of necessity. Motion passed 2-0.
Public Comment	
New Business	
Grease Trap Variance for 742 Parker Street	Vote A new residential rehabilitation home at 742 Parker Street with a kitchen that serves the public is requesting a variance from the grease trap requirements as well as a variance to the mop sink. Sarah asks if the determination if they need one is based off of what they are producing or how many people they are serving. The kitchen will serve up to 12 residents at a time. Aimee says it's based on both, what they produce and how many people they serve. Motion to approve the grease trap variance for 742 Parker Street was made by Dr. Kevin Hinchey and seconded by Dr. Sarah Perez McAdoo out of necessity. Motion passed 2-0.
Bike Rodeo Event Planning	The proposed date for the Bike Rodeo is Saturday, September 7. The plan this year is to start at the bike shop where kids can get a free tune up, helmet, and reflector installed. The police will then lead everyone down the bike trail to Cartamundi, turn around, and head down to the high school. At the high school, there will be what we had last year with the figure 8, obstacle course, MassBike has been invited, the library, fix a flat, and food trucks. We applied for a \$500 grant for helmets. Aimee asks the board if they have any suggestions for activities or anything to add. Sarah believes we've already gone a step up from last year and included all the suggestions from last year. Sarah suggests including activities for adults by inviting an adult biking group or club for this year. Aimee says she will reach out to the Rec Department about organizing events for adults.
Mosquito Control Plan 2019 Season	At the next Town Council meeting, we are requesting for them to vote on officially joining the Mosquito Control District. We will be presenting the pros and cons of joining and what we get for joining. Kevin asks what the consequences are if we don't join. Aimee says we will not get any surveillance this year for mosquitoes. This is the only mechanisms for us to get surveillance. In terms of control, \$9,000 will be spent doing catch basins in heavily populated areas such as the bike trail.

Old Business	Vote
<p>Review of 2019 Action Items for Q2</p>	<p>Sarah asks what the next steps after the prevention needs assessment is completed. Karen says the results are in and went to the superintendent, nursing supervisor and the administrative team for review. After the school department reviews it, the youth safety committee will review and decide what information and how they want to share it with the community. Karen anticipates the results will be shared starting in the fall of this year. A parent survey will be going out as well via email to parents. Youth and parent focus groups will be conducted in the fall depending on available grant funding, a separate process from the prevention needs assessment.</p> <p>Motion to accept our action plan was made by Karen Robitaille and seconded by Dr. Kevin Hinchey. passed 3-0.</p>
<p>Hauler Regulations</p>	<p>Aimee explains that the Health Department did receive the grant and it gives us staffing and DEP services, but based on what they are asking and the time frame, it will be a better run program if we wait until after the first of the new year. The plan is to hold off until the next grant cycle.</p>
<p>Recycling IQ Grant Award</p>	<p>A graduate student from the Umass Epidemiology department is going to conduct an ecological study of some of East Longmeadow fields and bike paths where she is going to collect ticks during the summer into the fall and have them tested by Umass at a discounted rate. From the data, we will get a sense of what kind of ticks, what fields, rates, time of year and what diseases they are carrying, giving us good information if we want to expand our arbovirus control mechanisms that we are currently doing for mosquitoes to include ticks. We are going to meet with the Umass lab and get guidance and help decide what fields to focus on. She is also going to put up signage on the bike trail and conduct weekly outreach and education at Pine Knoll summer camp.</p>
<p>DPH Intern</p>	<p>Funding in the amount of \$53,000 was received to conduct a health needs assessment. A subcommittee was formed. The first meeting will be on Friday, May 3rd to lay out the goals and objective of the subcommittee and decide what companies to look at for completing the assessment. One of the primary goals is if we plan on becoming an accredited Health Department, certain areas of the Health Needs assessment will need to be addressed. The PVPC has started the inter-municipal agreement. The Longmeadow Town Manager who has been supporting the process will be leaving. Aimee is not sure what this means for the process moving forward, but Sarah points out that we had the positive meeting with the Longmeadow Board of Health, so hopefully things will be positive moving forward.</p>
<p>DLTA Shared Service Update</p>	<p>Aimee updates the Board on what the Health Department has been working on, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held the first annual trash pick-up day with over 40 volunteers and collected over 2 tons of trash town-wide. • Liz held a compost training at the library. A total of 15 people attended and compost bins were available for purchase at a discounted rate. • Donna held a car seat installation event. Out of the 24 car seats inspected, 14 installed incorrectly or had a corrective action and 5 seats were replaced. • Since the mattress grant program started in February, we sent our first container with 54 mattresses to be recycled at the end of April, removing 4 tons waste from our trash stream.
<p>Department Updates</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In response to Massachusetts implementing the 2013 Food Code, two trainings were offered to the local food establishments and a letter outlining the changes was sent to all of the food establishments. Donna will also be offering private trainings for establishments.
<p>Town Council Presentation on May 14, 2019</p>	<p>The trash data will be presented which includes; the money saved, increased recycling, increased revenue generated with the green bags and the textile program. We will also talk about grant we are applying for the trash barrels that will give us \$30 per household barrel, leaving us with a cost of \$6 per barrel that the town will have to cover. The presentation to Town Council will also include the Mosquito Control district request, the receivership and complaint data, and the Q2 action item.</p>
<p>Decide Next BOH Meeting Dates</p>	

Motion to adjourn made by Karen Robitaille and seconded by Kevin Hinchey at 6:00 p.m. **Motion passed 3-0.**

Upcoming Meetings / Events

This listing is reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.


 Dr. Kevin Hinchey