



Town Of Fairfield

BOARD OF HEALTH

~ M I N U T E S ~

July09, 2012

The Board of Health of the Town of Fairfield held a meeting on July 09, 2012 in the Second Floor Conference Room of Old Town Hall, 611 Old Post Road, Fairfield, Connecticut.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Jacob Hen, Carolyn Shea, Denise Walsh, Dr. Thomas Braun

ALSO PRESENT: Sands Cleary, Director of Health, Joanne Ryan, Nursing Supervisor, and Maura Stokes, Recording Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRMAN

Dr. Jacob Hen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

II. MINUTES – Board of Health Meeting – June 11, 2012

Carolyn Shea moved and Thomas Braun seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of June 11, 2012. The motion passed unanimously.

III. REPORTS

A. DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

1. COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, BOARDS & MEETINGS:

Community Health Assessments:

Sands Cleary, Sara Levy and Denise Walsh attended a focus group hosted by Tim Callahan, Director of Health for the Norwalk Health Department regarding the Community Health Assessment Plan. Sands is currently on the Data sub-committee. Sara Levy is on the Process and Project sub-committees. The committees met with various consultants to gather various perspectives on reaching mutual goals in the Assessment process.

Department Goals:

Sands Cleary & Joanne Ryan met with First Selectman Michael Tetreau & Robert Mayer, Chief of Staff. During this meeting, nine goals were set which included the Community Health Assessment, the Nursing and Health Department's database. Discussions also included nursing services to the schools.

Regional Coordination Center:

The Health Department participated in an RCC Lite exercise on June 19, 2012. The scenario was a Town of Stratford credible release of anthrax, validated by the FBI. Fairfield responded with five nurses. The drill was a relative success.

Tent City:

On June 26, 2012 the Health Department Staff along with the MRC participated in a training exercise entitled "Tent City" at Sherwood Island. The scenario was a post flood distribution of information, and medications in various "tents" which were set up. Our staff not only successfully participated in the scenario, but also observed less obstacles in the set up and break down of the mobile POD. The staff is working on creating solutions to overcome these issues

Shelter Exercise:

Sands Cleary, Mari Jo Panettieri, Jon Oldham participated in a Shelter Exercise organized by the CERT Team, and Art Reid. MariJo & Jon worked to develop a new written Fairfield Municipal Shelter Guideline based upon our experience with Hurricane Irene. The Health Department's role is has been defined as Medical Screening, Medical Care and Food for Shelter. We will work along with CERT to make the Shelter a success.

Statewide Drill:

"Iced Cubed" is scheduled for July 30 & July 31, 2012 for a statewide drill. The scenario is a 1938 style hurricane.

B. PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SUPERVISOR:

Local Colleges Joanne Ryan has contacted both Sacred Heart University and Fairfield University for the possibility of tapping into their research area or clinicals (which our resources maybe to limited for their use); however, its worth contacting them to see if there is a possibility.

Bike Walk Coalition: Sara Levy brought in Mr. Mark Fenton for a presentation who did a very dynamic presentation which will be broadcast on FairTV. It was a worthwhile, and an engaging presentation on how to make your town more friendly for bicycles and pedestrians.

Staffing Joanne Ryan welcomes Julie Reid as the new part-time Nursing Secretary.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

Resume received for Board of Health

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

(None)

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM

Respectfully submitted,