

Hudson Board of Health

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MINUTES

May 3, 2021 5:30pm Remote via Zoom

Board members: Christie Vaillancourt, Michael Delfino, Jay Murphy

New Business

1. Preliminaries:

- a. Ms. Vaillancourt called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.
- b. Roll Call: Ms. Vaillancourt, Mr. Delfino and Mr. Murphy
- **2.** Approval of Minutes from 4.5.2021: Mr. Delfino motioned to approve minutes, Ms. Vaillancourt seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.
- **3.** Vouchers to be Approved: Mr. Murphy motioned to approve the vouchers as a block, Mr. Delfino seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Due to COVID-19, Ms. Vaillancourt will have authority to sign the vouchers on behalf of the Board.
- **4.** Hazardous Waste Day- May **22**, **2021**: Hazardous waste day will be held at the Easterly Wastewater treatment facility in Marlborough.
- 5. Mattress Recycling-MassDEP: Per Stephen DePaulo, MassDEP is mandating mattress recycling. The total cost per mattress will be \$50.00, which includes \$35.00 disposal cost and \$15.00 transportation fees. Prices may be subject to change. Ms. Vaillancourt motioned to approve the cost, Mr. Murphy seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.
- **6. MiM Bench Project:** Ms. Calo informed the Board, in order to make the rail trail more age friendly, eight benches will be installed on rail trail in Hudson. The installation cost per bench is \$500, funded by donations, which have been filled. Each bench will have a plaque on the bench with the donor's name.

- **7.** MassCALL3 Substance Misuse Prevention Grant: Ms. Calo informed the Board that Hudson received the grant. The grant is for \$125,000 per year up to eight years. Two additional towns have been added, Westborough and Marlborough.
- 8. Public Health Excellence Grant: Ms. Calo informed the Board we have received the grant. The grant is for \$300,000 per year to hire four new positions (Director, Sanitarian, Epidemiologist and a Nurse) to fill gaps within communities.

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1. **COVID-19 Update:** Ms. Calo informed the Board last week there were 20 new cases and one death. As of May 3, 2021, there were 1602 cases, which resulted in our status changing to yellow. These new cases were most likely a result of resident traveling over April vacation. Governor Baker would like to open everything on August 1. According to State statistics, 54% of Hudson residents received their first vaccine; 37% are fully vaccinated. Marlboro Hospital has vaccine appointments and we are currently directing residents to that facility. Pfizer may be expanding vaccine to 12-15 year olds.

Next Meeting

June 7, 2021

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm