

Board of Health

March 11, 2014

Members present: Duncan Colter, Carrie O'Gorman, absent Shelly Carter

Health Agent present: Claudia Lucas

Guests:

The meeting was called to order by, Duncan Colter, at 6:10pm.

Duncan recognized the Board of Health is seeking official audio recorder, at Shelly's absence. Duncan plans to follow up with Brian Clark.

Health Agent Report:

Claudia discussed that Food Inspections continue in the Town of Ashfield, and are soon to be completed.

Claudia stated that she has been in touch with Tracy Minor concerning the CO alarms, and the frequency of events taking place at the Ashfield House. The matter has been resolved, and will be followed up by the Ashfield Fire Department. Bedbugs have also continued to be a concern at the Ashfield House, Claudia has been in communication with Tracy Minor, as they are reaching out to a different chemical company.

Minutes: February minutes were not completed at this time. To be reviewed at the next BOH meeting, and made available to the public at that time.

Flu Shot Clinic: Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS) has been contacted by Carrie, who has been made the official contact person for Ashfield, Mass. Registration is completed for the annual clinic to continue in 2014.

Massachusetts Virtual Surveillance System (MAVEN): Claudia, Duncan, and Shelly have completed MAVEN training and certification. MAVEN is an Electronic Disease Surveillance System, considered a patient record, and is used in the surveillance and case management of diseases by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) and Local Board of Health (LBOH). Requirement of Massachusetts to complete regular correspondence on disease reported to Ashfield, Massachusetts. Carrie is to follow online education and training in the future. For more information

please visit http://sphweb.unc.edu/otlt/MPH - Modules/EP/EP713_Surveillance/EP713_Surveillance4.html.

Educational Seminars: May 8, 2014 Western Massachusetts Public Housing Authority is holding a seminar on May 8, 2014 that Claudia will be attending, and is open to BOH members to attend.

Mail & Correspondence: Junk mail was recycled.

No public comment.

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 6:00pm

Respectively submitted by Carrie O'Gorman