Minutes Board of Health Meeting April 7, 2011

Present: Rich Maccagnano, Ken LeFebvre, Pat Duffey, Ann McCobb

Rich called the meeting to order 7:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Invoices

Board approved invoices for Rich Westcott regarding the Dunkin Donuts matter and Deb Moore for reimbursable expenses for the HERC Annual meeting which will be paid out of the Flu Revolving Account

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Rich made a motion seconded by Pat to approve the March 17 minutes as submitted. Approved unanimously.

Public Hearing 163 Union Street

Parties have not yet submitted a revised plan. Ann has a written opinion from DEP that under Title V regulations they could demolish the house and apply for a permit to repair the septic system which would allow them to seek variances.

Motion: Rich made a motion to continue the hearing to April 21st at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Pat and approved unanimously.

Health Agent Report

Board agreed that Ann should continue to pursue the mentoring of a BU MPH student sharing the responsibility with the towns of Hopkinton, Ashland and Medway. Health agent in Hopkinton has agreed to submit the paperwork to BU. The student will focus on Sharps disposal and disposal of unused oral medications

Rabies clinic was held last Saturday inoculating 19 dogs and 8 cats

Public Health District Grant: RFP results will be in by April 8th and a committee will meet to interview the candidates. Pat expressed interest in being on that committee.

Public Health RN Grant: working committee interviewed the three candidates and unanimously selected Hope Worden Kenefick Consulting Company. They have signed a contract to begin the planning portion of the grant. A kick off meeting is being set up now between the consultants and the working group

Mosquito control beginning lava control now.

Title V and plumbing laws currently compete. DEP has committed to coming up with a plan to clarify each disciplines area of responsibility.

Soil testing appointments are picking up. There is a five lot plan submitted on Wilson Street. Mike Graf will go there tomorrow to begin the testing.

USGS Study of Arsenic & Uranium in Bedrock Wells in Massachusetts. Holliston is not in the probability zone for arsenic, but there could be increased probability of naturally occurring uranium due to the type of bedrock in the approximately 120 private wells in town. Ann will send the report to Board members for their review. A plan will be developed at the next meeting to disseminate that information to well owners as appropriate.

Seasonal Flu Clinics: DPH has announced that the doses of vaccine that they supply will be approximately 50 % less than last year's allocation. They are also saying that will provide no vaccine for the senior population. The focus will be on pediatrics. Ann checked with the Senior Center Director who anticipated 200 doses being needed for the Senior Center. Pat has spoken with Mission Springs and they could probably use 40 doses. Pat suggested that Ann check with the manufacturers directly to see if the vaccine would be cheaper through them. (They are committed to selling vaccine to local Health Departments at the DPH rate). Pat learned at a MAPHN meeting today that the deadline for ordering vaccine and being guaranteed delivery is April 30th.

Motion: Rich made a motion to purchase no more than 300 doses of vaccine using funds from the Revolving account. Seconded by Ken and approved unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Rich at 8:00 p.m. seconded by Ken and approved unanimously. Board adjourned to join the Planning Board to hear the results of the Covanta Noise study.

Respectfully submitted:	
Patricia J. Duffey, R.N.	
Approval Date:	