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**Maynard Board of Health Meeting
February 28, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.
(Zoom)**

Meeting Minutes – February 28, 2023 – Meeting

The Maynard Board of Health held a meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 6:30 PM. Kathy McMillan, Lisa Thuot, and Jodi Larkin were present, and Ivan Kwagala, health director, was also in attendance.

I. Call Meeting to Order

A motion was made by K. McMillan and seconded by L. Thuot to open the Board of Health meeting at 6:34 PM. The motion was supported unanimously.

II. Public Health Director Update

The Director proposed a new fee schedule to provide inspection services for food establishments, Title V inspections, and plan reviews. The Director said he would finalize the fee schedule for the next Board of Health meeting before the Town meeting. Under MGL Ch 40 s22F, the Board of Health has the authority to set fees and can recover fees from direct and indirect costs.

Next, the Director gave an update on the nursing position and informed the Board that it is moving along with Maynard and Concord. Also, the two towns will have a final discussion on managing the nurse. The Director met with Megan (the town assistant administrator) and Stephanie (the human resources manager) about where the nurse would be stationed. The stationing of the nurse also reflects the amount of salary each town contributes. For example, if Maynard stations the nurse onsite, Maynard must provide all the equipment for the position. In addition, Concord is going to pay for the nurse fringe benefits. Finally, the Board will allocate ARPA funds for the nursing position in the first fiscal year before being included in the general budget.

Then, the Director briefly introduced Opioid Abatement funds to the Board. Finally, he introduced the source of the funding, the role of local public health in Opioid Abatement funds, and what programs the town can use the funds for. Finally, the Board recommended asking MetroWest Shared Services to pool funds to start a program.

Lastly, the Director received two complaints about Thai Chili. After his investigation, he recommended that the restaurant perform deep cleaning. He stated that if the restaurant has the same or similar issues, he will bring them in for a hearing and require the restaurant to hire a food consultant to bring them into compliance.

II. Other Updates

The Board voted to reserve the ARPA funds for public health positions and is not able to allocate any funds to the AED equipment at this time. Next, Lisa gave an update on the solid waste program.

VII. Approve meeting minutes.

The Board of Health motioned to accept the minutes of January 24, 2023, with some modifications.

VII. Other (Public Comments)

No public comments

IX. Adjournment

The Board of Health motioned to adjourn from February 28, 2023, at 7:31pm for the Board of Health meeting.

Meeting closed: 7:31pm