

MINUTES
Trumbull Board of Health
Minutes
July 22, 2015

Members Present: Richard Bellows, Eileen Panesse, Deborah Cavalier, Deborah Charles, Nancy Busch.

Also Present: Director of Trumbull Public Health Department, Rhonda Capuano, Medical Director Joel Kunkel, MD

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Bellows called the Trumbull Health Board to order at 6PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Board reviewed the minutes for the June 17, 2015 meeting.

Moved by Ms Busch to accept the minutes of the June 17, 2015 meeting without changes, seconded by Debra Charles. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion by the Board regarding the new temporary office facilities and progress being made at the new permanent facilities at 335 White Plains Road. The renovations are going very well and looks promising for moving in close to month's end. Ms. Capuano is looking at Town surplus equipment to furnish the new office. There will be a grand opening ceremony to mark the permanent location.

Ms. Capuano has been meeting with the various Town partners, ie. Director of School Nurses, EMS Director, Director at Stern Village to discuss their needs. She is also working with a regional partnership established by St. Vincent's and Bridgeport hospitals to work with local towns on various health issues.

Ms. Capuano indicated that all Trumbull files were delivered to the office from the former Trumbull-Monroe Health District on June 30.

At this time, the department hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for the general public. Ms. Capuano indicated that the Department is functional and operational in serving the public at this time.

To date the department:

- sent out 15 ticks submitted by residents for deer-tick testing and the presence of the genetic material of spirochetes that cause Lyme disease. We received 2 positive results;
- sent water samples from the lake associations for testing at CT DPH laboratory;
- initiated food service establishment inspections;
- responded to mold complaints from tenants of apartment complex;
- working with a Per Diem nurse to prepare provider agreements for insurance carriers to establish immunization clinics;
- working with the State Dept of Public Health regarding vaccinations of children to begin school on time;
- submitting an application for "Continuation Funding for a Block Grant" relative to cardiovascular disease, modeled after the Wallingford Program, consisting of a 6 week workshop;
- issuing temporary food licenses for various festivals.

D. Bellows suggested a publication in the newspaper regarding proper removal of a tick, what to do with it and how to deliver it to the Department, with pictures or reference to a website. Dr. Kunkel described the various treatments for lyme disease.

Moved by Ms. Busch, seconded by Ms. Charles to move into Executive Session at 6:35.p.m. Motion carried unanimously. At 6:35 p.m., the recorder was turned off and the Clerk left the meeting.

Moved by Ms Busch, seconded by Ms. Charles to end the Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

Ms. Capuano was commended by the Board for her diligent work and efforts to date.

MOTION by Ms Busch to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m., seconded by Elaine Pannese. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting to be held on August 12, 2015 at 6:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Milewski