BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES FOR MEETING ON THURSDAY JUNE 17, 2021 MEETING AT LEYDEN TOWN OFFICES AT 2:00PM

ATTENDING. MARCIA MILLER, CAROL KUZDEBA, AND BETH KUZDEBA COMMENCED AT 2:10 pm.
DETAILS TO JOIN WERE POSTED

- 1. Minutes from May meetings on the 11th and 24th were approved with a motion from Marcia and a second from Carol
- 2. Leyden's plan to opt out of mosquito spraying was submitted to state but returned to correct. Official minutes with town seal and certified by town clerk were necessary. Done and resubmitted. We are waiting for approval.
- 3. PFAS testing of wells in Leyden has been opened up to the entire town. Website is in July Leyden Life and on town website if you wish to participate.
- 4. BOH voted to require masks to be worn at annual town meeting on May 24. Meeting was changed to an outdoor venue with social distancing so masks were not required per Gov. Baker.
- 5. 20 tick tests were purchased by the BOH and can now be used by residents. Website is www.tickreport.com. Credit will be applied according to zip code and final cost to resident for tick testing will be \$15.00
- 6. Green burials are allowed in town with no BOH action if in a designated cemetery. If on private property, FRCOG health agents must be involved. Kitchen permits and short term rental permits are continuing to be approved by FRCOG.
- 7. An increase to BOH stipends was submitted to finance committee for approval. We will find out what got approved at town meeting.
- 8. CE at the Boston University Public Health website will be available to BOH members and will be discussed at further meetings with health agents.
- 9. Assessment to Leyden for FRCOG/CPHS membership went down to about \$4200 for FY 2022. Decrease due to grant from state to FRCOG for about \$285,000.
- 10. <u>pollinator.org</u> is a website the FRCOG is recommending for towns to help to map out a pollinator corridor in Franklin county. This should be of interest to residents because of the interest expressed in saving our pollinators from mosquito spraying.
- 11. Chromebooks will be distributed after elections
- 12. No citizen concerns
- 13. BOH concern. A porcupine acting unusual at Ann Zavaruha's property on April 13, was called in to Leyden police. Chief Dan Galvis responded. There is no record of the porpucine at the labs in Jamaica Plain. This will be followed up by BOH.
- 14. Next meeting TBD. Unless pressing issue, BOH will not meet for July.

Adjourned at 3:11 pm with motion from Beth and second from Marcia

Submitted by chair Elizabeth Kuzdeba. 6/28/2021