

# Board of Health Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 6:00pm

Via Zoom # 288 065 7034 or in person

Present: **Board Members:** Herb Butzke, Chair, Board Members: Dan Poplawski & Joanne Semanie, Christine Bailey, Health Clerk and Rachel Lewis, RN

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Herb Butzke at the Rowe Town Hall

## General Business:

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for the October 5, 2022, meeting.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve all invoices.

## Transfer Station

- The Transfer Station logs were reviewed and read by Dan Poplawski.
- Herb spoke with Jan Ameen about the concrete crack by the dumpster. She said the hauler's insurance company will pay for the fix.
- Two Salvation Army Boxes are being delivered to the Refuse Gardens on October 26, 2022. Rob Beaumier will be there to accept. He will give them a gate opener, as he has an extra.
- Jan Ameen was able to secure two quotes from B. Gorey Fabrication for the Refuse Gardens to follow MIIA safety guidelines. Janice applied for the grant in the amount of \$4,000.

## Nurse Updates:

- Rachel said the Foot Clinic on October 6, 2022, was a success with a full 12 people attending. Along with being "healthful" residents said it was very educational and informative. In November, the clinic is already full with six new sign-ups along with six repeats.
- Rachel said tomorrow, October 20, 2022, the Flu and Vaccination clinic will be held at the Rowe Elementary School. Rachel, along with Lisa White of FRCOG visited five homebound residents. All received a COVID vaccine, with two receiving the flu shot.
- Arbovirus – None to report in Franklin County.
- Rachel reported to the group her individual statistics for the month. Since October 1, 2022, she has seen 43 patients. This increase is primarily due to a seasonal uptick of Flu and COVID, mostly in the elderly residents.
- A firefighter requested if Rachel would due physicals for the Department. The Board felt these should be done by a physician.

**Water Testing:** Herb reviewed the Housatonic Basin Sampling Testing for Pelham Lake. The levels remain safe.

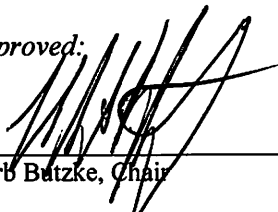
**New Business:** (Unforeseen matters not reasonably anticipated within 48 hours of the meeting)

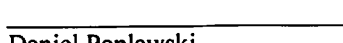
**Resident Comments/Questions:** *It is requested that residents wait for comments during a meeting until recognized by the Chairperson.*

Meeting Adjourned: 7:00 pm unanimously

Next meeting: November 2, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Approved:

  
Herb Butzke, Chair

  
Daniel Poplawski

  
Joanne Semanie