Board of Health Meeting Public Meeting May 16th, 2022

Present: Mark MacDonald, Chairman; Tyler Nims, Clerk; Gary Russell, Director; William Droheim; Assistant Director, Kathy Duddy; Admin. Assistant; Teresa Flynn; Public Health Nurse

Board of Health Meeting opened at 6:00 pm

New Business - Office staffing hours: The Board discussed the Public Health Nurse scheduled staffing hours. The nurse is scheduled for 16 hours per week at the clinic and 24.5 hours per week at the Board of Health office. Her scheduled hours will stay in place for the time being.

New Business - Status of vaccine clinic: The vaccine clinic will remain going until June 30th, 2022. At that time, Town Administrator, Michael Maresco, stated more funding would be received to keep the clinic open. Additionally, PCR testing will be conducted in the shed outside in the Town Hall parking lot on Tuesdays and Thursday by appointment only. Residents can sign up at marshfieldcares.com.

New Business - Overview of Assistant Director position hire: The Assistant Director, William Droheim, went over his job duties and accomplishments since being hired on March 28, 2022. He stated he secured the Public Health Excellence Grant for the Marshfield Collaboration. He said he performed food inspections, food truck inspections, housing and infestation complaints, completed FEMA 200 and 800 certifications, and began the process to become a registered sanitarian through the National Environmental Health Association. Additionally, he performed septic review and on-site inspections, attended Levitate meetings and will soon take over budgeting for the Board of Health.

New Business - Food permit update, combining inspections with fire department: The Board of Health and Fire Department will schedule their food truck and Levitate inspections at the same time. These meetings will allow the two departments to collaborate better and get the vendors processed faster. Food trucks will be inspected at the town hall.

Old Business - Public Health Excellence Grant submission: The Public Health Excellence Grant was submitted on May 2, 2022. The Marshfield Board of Health should hear back in a few months as to what decision the state has made.

Old Business - Expired town sewer connections drafted letter; town counsel: A letter was drafted by the Board of Health that was given to the town counsel that stated an agreement by the town of Marshfield and town residents has expired which allowed certain households to delay connecting to town sewer. The agreement was put in place for those residents who paid for the installation of septic system tanks would then not have to pay for the installation of a town sewer connection. The letter was given to town counsel for review but no reply has been received.

Old Business -124 Old Ocean- Septic system; town counsel: A letter was drafted by the Board of Health citing the 124 Old Ocean Street residence was pumping sewage water into his yard and the small pond in the rear of property. The letter was given to town counsel for review but no reply has been received. Additionally, an application for percolation test has been received by the Board of Health.

The next meeting will be held on June 6th at 6pm.

The meeting concluded at 7 pm