

BOH MEETING MINUTES

5-21-20

Attending

Bridget Sweet, Chair

Timothy Cochrane, Vice Chair

Jeff Harris, Member

Also, in attendance: Cathleen Liberty, Director of Public Health, Ginny McNeil, Zoom participants

Meeting called to order 5:01 pm

REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards

Director Liberty discussed the Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards with the board in that all businesses in the town must develop a written control plan outlining how its workplace will comply with the mandatory safety standards for operation in the COVID-19 reopening period. The standards are broken into four categories which is social distancing, hygiene protocol, staffing and cleaning and disinfecting. There is a control plan attestation template on the Franklin website in the COVID 9 portal for business that needs to be signed by the business owner and posted in the business where it is visible to employees and visitors. There are also posters for employees and employers that are also available on the website portal that depicts the four categories of safety standards that also must be posted in the business. The control plan does not need to be submitted for approval but must be kept on premise and made available in the case of an inspection or outbreak. The business must comply by May 25, 2020. Director Liberty answered questions that the board had regarding the Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards.

Chair Sweet also asked the director to talk about the reopening of the nonessential businesses on May 25, 2020. Director Liberty spoke to the reopening of nonessential businesses and the guidelines they need to follow. Director Liberty also spoke about enforcement of the guidelines and that the health department signed a Memorandum with the Franklin Police Chief that states the police will be the enforcement agency for the health department until the State of Emergency is lifted.

HEALTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT

OTHER BUSINESS UNKNOWN AT TIME OF POSTING

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 PM – Motion made by Vice Chair Cochrane
Second – Member, Harris

Chair Sweet conducted a roll call

Next Board of Health meeting will be on June 3, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated

Cc: Board of Health Members
Town Clerk