Wellfleet Board of Health Virtual Meeting Wednesday August 12, 2020; 3:00PM Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Ken Granlund, Chair; Janet Drohan, Nick Picariello

Members Absent: Gary Locke, Jed Foley

Others Present: Hillary Lemos, Wellfleet Health Agent; Rebekah Eldridge, Committee

Secretary; Richard Pauley, Chief of the Wellfleet Fire Department; Susan

Chair Granlund called the meeting to order at 3:00pm

He stated that the board will take public comments first and asked that all comments be kept to a five-minute time limit.

No comments were given at that time

Covid

• Update on Town related issues

- Lemos began with pay as you throw trash bags and reminded the board that back in April, they had voted to put a hold on the purple bags to cut down people going out to buy the bags during the pandemic. This was to expire Labor Day and Lemos wanted to address it and see where the board stands with this issue.
- O Picariello stated that he feels there will be more people in the town due to the pandemic. Lemos agreed that with students going back to school later in September she also feels that people will be here longer than originally thought. Drohan agreed. Chair Granlund expressed that he agreed to hold the bags for the month of September and asked the board if he wanted to reinstate the purple bags on October 1, 2020. The board agreed
- Drohan moved to continue the holding pf purple bags through the month of September and revisit in October. Picariello seconded the motion; Motion carried 3-0
- Lemos moved on to discuss the Covid pop up testing site on July 28, 2020 and registered 136 people to be tested. She told the board that out of all the people tested, only 1 person came back with a positive test. She stated to the board the she was grateful to the surrounding towns for allowing Wellfleet to be a part of the testing. Drohan asked if the positive test result was an asymptomatic person and Lemos explained that yes.

• Enforcement

- Lemos explained to the board there have been complaints about compliance for Covid and she will be addressing the complaints.
- The board discussed people coming in from out of town to register with the town a negative test or to quarantine for two-weeks.
- Lemos also explained to the board that she with the town of Truro are working with Outer Cape Health to get more testing in Wellfleet and for the Outer Cape as

- most of the "Stop the Spread" sights are off cape. She stated that even if residents want to be tested and pay for it, the towns are not equipped to be able to administer the tests.
- The board continued to discuss testing and children in the community going back to school and how that might look. They went on to discuss the Governor's update on the state's cluster of cases and the map that is being provided.
- Picariello asked about active cases in Wellfleet; Lemos stated there was only one active case currently.
- Chief Pauley expressed to the board his gratefulness for Lemos during this pandemic and appreciates all her hard work and dedication to the town
- Susan spoke about the Wellfleet Well line to help residents cope with the pandemic and be an ear for residents to listen and give advice on how to move forward.

Minutes

• July 8, 2020 ~ Moved to the September meeting

Topics for Future Concern

 Picariello spoke about the relay program for the fisheries and would like to have Nancy Civetta come to a meeting to discuss and educate the board on this. Drohan stated that the SPAT organization has financially supported this and has asked for success data before they donated more money.

Chair Granlund moved to adjourn the meeting; meeting adjourned at 3:30PM

Public Documents:

No documents were handed out at this meeting