

BOARD OF HEALTH
TOWN HALL
334 MAIN STREET
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2011
7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: RONALD MAJDALANY, CHAIRMAN
CLAUDIA RYAN

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

MOTION: Ms. Ryan to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2011 meeting.

SECOND: Dr. Majdalany (stepped down as Chairman)

VOTE: 2-0

2. Sandra Martin, Berkshire County Boards of Health Association, to discuss the Regionalization Planning Grant Application. Ms. Martin explained that it is a two phase process. There is no funding obligation required from the towns. The first part is to submit a planning grant application for up to \$40,000 and after six months the towns would decide if they want to apply for the five year \$150,000 a year implementation grant. She explained that Berkshire Regional Planning will be the host fiscal agent to manage the grant. After discussion, the members agreed to become involved in the planning grant. Ms. Martin said she is looking at regional disease surveillance with a shared public health nurse.

3. **HEALTH AGENT REPORT:**

A. Mark presented the January 2011 report to the board members. (A copy is attached to these minutes).

4. **OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Allergen Awareness – Phase 2 – February 1, 2011. Mark advised that the deadline for Phase 2 was February 1, 2011. He advised that certificates of completion of the allergen awareness training are beginning to be submitted by the restaurants. He also noted that he will be looking for certificates when doing the regular inspections.

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Aberdale's Tobacco ID Training/waiver request. Mark advised he would move this agenda item to next month as Mr. Aberdale was not present. Mark explained that Aberdale's is currently doing ID training for alcohol so they don't want to do the cigarette training also. Mark noted that the training is tobacco specific and the only exemption is that the training you are using is approved by the Mass Department of Public Health. After discussion, the board members noted that they are not in favor of the request.

Mark advised that he and Locke have renewed their Serve Safe Certification.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Wichmann, Secretary