



Town Of Medway Board of Health

**November 2, 2015
Medway Board of Health
26 High Street
Conference Room
Medway, MA 02053**

PRESENT: Mike Heavey, and Jordan Warnick
ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Bacon-Health Agent
Amy Sutherland, Recording Secretary

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Meeting Minutes Acceptance:

October 19, 2015:

On a motion made by Jordan Warnick and seconded by Mike Heavey, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes from October 19, 2015 with the noted revisions.

Permits:

There were no permits to sign.

Synthetic Turf Field Precautions:

The Board of Health is in receipt of the revised language for the Synthetic Turf Field Precautions.

Watch and Treat for signs of heat related illness and dehydration. These fields are hotter than natural grass.

Wash hands and face before eating and/or drinking off field.

Clean or Remove shoes/clothes to avoid tracking crumb rubber particles off field.

On a motion made by Jordan Warnick and seconded by Mike Heavey, the Board voted unanimously to accept the revised language.

Resident, Alan White was present at the meeting to follow-up with the next step in relation to the signs.

The Health Agent indicated she will send the comments and recommendations to the Department of Public Services and Parks and Recreation.

Following up on turf signs and three fields. The process after this is that Stephanie will send comments to DPS, Town Administrator and Parks and Recreation to have these signs posted. The town will need to determine who pays for the signs.

SAFE Coalition:

The Board of Health was made aware that the Board of Directors for the SAFE Coalition were elected and now officers are in place. Member Warnick was elected secretary of this Coalition's Board of Directors.

SAFE is a coalition of community partners who have come together to provide support, education, treatment options and coping mechanisms for those affected by a substance abuse disorder.

The website is up and running. The website is <http://www.safecoalitionma.com>.

Member Warnick has written to the police/fire department requesting their involvement. The coalition wants to also offer training for first responders in the use of Narcan. Some of the fire fighters need retraining. Warnick is also communicating with the Superintendent of Schools to involve/train the school nurses and also request that some of these employees serve on the Board of Advisors. A regular schedule of meetings will be developed.

The Board of Health was made aware that there is a local support group called Community of Hope. This is a support group for families and loved ones who are struggling with substance abuse disorder. The meetings are held every Wednesday night at Milford Regional Medical Center.

It was recommended that the information regarding the Safe Coalition be placed on the website. The Obama administration and Governor Baker are being proactive in this epidemic.

Adjourn:

On a motion made by Jordan Warnick and seconded by Michael Heavey, the Board of Health voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Future Meetings:

The next meeting scheduled is Monday, November 30, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Medway Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland
Meeting Recorder