

Town of Newtown, CT

Edmond Town Hall, 45 Main Street, Newtown, CT 06470

The Ad Hoc Tick Borne Disease Action Committee held a special meeting on Thursday, January 21, 2010 at the C.H. Booth Library, Main Street, Newtown, CT

PRESENT: Mark Alexander, Kirk Blanchard, Robert Grossman, Mary Gaudet-Wilson, Michelle McLeod, Neil K. Chaudhary. ALSO PRESENT: Pat Boily, David Shugarts, Kendra Bobowick from the Newtown Bee and one member of the general public.

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Grossman called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

SPEAKER: ALLEN RUTBERG

Dr. Rutberg is a professor at the Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine whose research focuses on deer contraception. Dr. Rutberg described the current state of his research with PZP, a contraceptive agent that Dr. Rutberg anticipates is likely to finish testing and receive federal authorization for use as a deer management tool within the next 3-5 years. Dr. Rutberg also explained that he is currently evaluating potential sites for a deer contraception field trial of PZP that he will be conducting and said that he might be interested in a site within Newtown for this purpose. Dr. Rutberg answered various questions from those in attendance concerning his research and proposed field trial. Dr. Grossman thanked Dr. Rutberg for his presentation.

ADJOURNMENT: Dr. Grossman motioned to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. Dr. McLeod seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:

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