

MINUTES
STURBRIDGE BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
Friday, July 9, 2009 3:45 pm

In Attendance: Linda Cocalis, John Degnan and Alyssa Rusiecki, Health Agent. Meeting called to Order at 3:45 p.m.

The Board is meeting to discuss the update of current events and activity, which the Board of Selectmen has requested.

INTRODUCTION - Ms. Cocalis will discuss the vast amount of responsibilities that the Board of Health staff has and then will discuss the urgency of planning needed to address the H1N1 school vaccinations.

PRIORITIES – Ms. Cocalis and Mr. Degnan will then present to the Board of Selectmen the need for planning dissemination of the vaccine and will discuss the CDC and DPH guidelines (children pre-school – age 12; pregnant women; caregivers and emergency workers at risk). Coordination with the Police and School departments must occur. Regionalization must be worked out with respect to operation and funding. We would like to ask Mr. Creamer, who has a significant amount of experience in emergency planning, to help us with this awesome task. We will also reach out for volunteers who will be dedicated to the Sturbridge area and not just the Worcester area. We will ask about emergency funding and also revisit the \$60 bill that could not be paid to Inspector Woolhouse because the language of the revolving fund is too restrictive.

We also need to update our own job descriptions through the proper channels. Another goal would be to obtain the services of a grant-funded Health Educator.

Adjourned at 5:15pm.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 7/20/09 @ 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Rusiecki
Public Health Agent