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BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING MINUTES Thursday, December 17, 2020

ATTENDEES: Deborah Kadar-Hull, RN, Chairwoman Bonnie Murray, Member Lori Bentsen, Administrative Asst.

Meeting Open: 12:12 PM

This Board of Health meeting was conducted via Zoom, ID: 923 132 8711 through the town's Zoom account and hosted by Katheryn Worden, Administrative Coordinator for the Board of Selectmen.

AGENDA:

First and only item on the agenda is use of gym at PRSD middle school for basketball games. Kadar-Hull stated that Dr. Bartholomew sent an email to the Board on 12/7/20 which detailed the Covid protocols that will be enforced for basketball games at the high school gym. Kadar-Hull said the same Covid protocols will be adhered to at the middle school gym. Murray said yesterday she spoke with Dan Thornton, Athletic Director, PRSD, and Dan Thornton said he will be monitoring basketball practices and games to ensure Covid protocols are adhered to. Murray said that Dan Thornton told her there will be three (3) boy's teams playing, freshman, junior varsity and varsity. There will be one (1) girl's team playing which will be varsity. Kadar-Hull said as a medical professional, I have concerns. Kadar-Hull said that the NFHS (National Federation of State High School Associations) has categorized basketball as a "moderate risk sport" along with ice hockey. Kadar-Hull said she recently read in the newspaper that North Andover had six (6) players test positive on the hockey team from which eighty (80) people were traced as close contacts. Murray made a motion to approve the use of the gym at PRSD middle school for basketball games, Kadar-Hull seconded under duress and it was a unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned: 12:28 PM

Next Board of Health meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Meeting minutes transcribed by Lori Bentsen, Administrative Asst.