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**BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 23, 2020**

**ATTENDEES: Deborah Kadar-Hull, RN, Chairwoman
Bonnie Murray, Member**

This Board of Health meeting was conducted via Zoom, ID: 923 132 8711

Meeting Open: 12:04 PM

AGENDA:

First agenda item is vote to hire Rosemary Decie for health agent position. Kadar-Hull made a motion to hire Rosemary Decie for health agent to work 17 hours per week as needed at an hourly pay rate of \$40 per hour, Murray seconded and it was a unanimous vote. Rosemary will begin work on Monday, January 11, 2021.

Second agenda item is review minutes for approval. Kadar-Hull made a motion to approve meeting minutes of December 17, 2020, Murray seconded and it was a unanimous vote.

Fire Chief Valentine and Finance Director Kevin Paicos were participating in this Zoom meeting. Fire Chief Valentine asked about vaccinations for first responders, Lori sent Chief Valentine information from other towns we have received via email from Mark Fine regarding possible vaccination clinics that may be set up in the area. Topsfield is looking to be a super site. Chief Valentine also mentioned Trinity was looking to also do vaccinations for Haverhill and was looking to include Groveland. Deb Kadar-Hull mentioned the vaccinations would have to be staggered in case of possible reactions. We are not planning on having a vaccination clinic in Groveland and will continue discussion to see what site works best and can accommodate Groveland's first responders as soon as more information becomes available.

Fire Chief Valentine also mentioned concerns he had about the numbers of active COVID cases he had (he has addresses from Groveland health nurse, Claire Walsh). He wants to make sure his addresses of current active cases are matching up with Claire's numbers. Fire Chief Valentine and Kevin Paicos will look to have a meeting with Claire Walsh on Monday to review and discuss the current numbers and best practices to ensure addresses and case count numbers are accurate moving forward.

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Kevin Paicos discussed that the Federal Cares Act funding runs out Friday, 12/25/20. Deb Kadar-Hull had a new email from Mark Fine regarding Cares Act funding moving forward into 2021 and she will forward to Kevin Paicos.

Kevin Paicos asked Deb Kadar-Hull to ask Mark Fine if it is possible for Groveland to get/order COVID test kits for our EMS responders. Deb Kadar-Hull said she will ask Mark Fine and get back to Kevin.

Kevin Paicos will speak with current interim health agent Joe Tevald on Monday, 12/28 to let him know that we hired Rosemary as the new health agent.

Meeting adjourned: 12:44 PM

Next Board of Health meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Meeting minutes transcribed by Bonnie Murray, Member