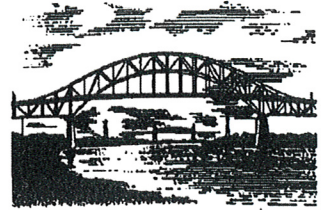


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Members in attendance: Kathleen Peterson, Chairperson; Galon Barlow Jr.; Donald Uitti and Kelly Mastria.

Support Staff in attendance: Terri Guarino, Health Agent; and Syreeta Amaral, Administrative Assistant

Meeting was called to order at 05:05 pm

Ms. Peterson asked if anyone was recording at this time..

1. **COVID-19 and Phased Re-opening Plans**—Terri Guarino, Health Agent to provide information and updates:

- a. **Disease Surveillance News** – Miss Guarino started by thanking the VNA of Cape Cod for their help during the COVID-19 pandemic. She reported that there were less than 10 active cases of COVID-19 within the Town of Bourne. There are 9 probable cases of COVID-19 and the number of close contacts within the Town of Bourne is 72. Miss Guarino added that the active case count within the town being less than 10 shows a significant decrease in numbers and is extremely good news.
- b. **Local Updates & FAQs**—beaches, outdoor recreation areas, sporting & rec events, large gatherings, miscellaneous
 - i. **Use of public land & facilities for athletics, special events, camps, etc.** – Miss Guarino explained to the Board that the town beaches were being sampled and that all signs have been dropped off to all beaches. Those signs will be posted ASAP if not already in place. In keeping with the opening of Phase 2 all public athletic fields and courts in the Town of Bourne are open. All of these facilities and the organized/unorganized sports that take place on the facilities must follow state guidelines and be properly permitted as necessary. Miss Guarino noted that she has seen residents enjoying the outdoors but also complying with the governor's orders. Ms. Peterson asked if there were any questions. Mr. Gary Maloney asked the Board if there were any plans to put the swings back out on playgrounds in the town. Miss Guarino asked which playground Mr. Maloney was speaking about. Mr. Maloney replied that he has seen the swings down at Electric Ave playground. Mr. Barlow Jr added that he had seen that the swings had been removed at the town playgrounds. Miss Guarino stated that she was not aware that the swings had been taken down and that playgrounds were permitted during Phase II. She added that she would speak to Mr. George Sala of the BDPW to have the swings put back on the playgrounds. Ms. Peterson thanked Mr. Maloney for his question. Miss Guarino continued with the frequently asked questions on special events held on public land and facilities. She stated that there have many requests for special events. The first request was in regards to the 4th of July Parade and the second request was for the Blackbeard's Pucino Motorcycle ride. An interdepartmental routing slip was issued for both events. Miss Guarino stated that due to the Governor's orders prohibiting such events until Phase 4 put her in the position where she had to deny the request at this time. She added that the Health Department needs more time to work on a process to streamline and manage these types of large events. Ms. Peterson asked if there were any questions. There were no questions. Mrs. Mastria stated that she had to leave the meeting. Ms. Peterson acknowledged that Mrs. Mastria was stepping off and stated that there was still a quorum so the meeting could proceed.

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ii. **Private property gatherings for yard sales, equestrian, agricultural & others** – Miss Guarino started with the question of yard sales. She stated that the selectman were going to continue with their permitting of certain yard sales and that there was some yard sale specific guidance released by the State of MA which was listed on the MA.gov website. Seeing the yard sales are on private property the individuals hosting the sale will be in charge of following standards that were released by the State of MA. As far as equestrian and agricultural questions that had been asked. Mike Fletcher was on the line from Grazing Fields Farms. Miss Guarino stated that equestrian events are not specifically referenced to by the Governors reopening plan and that more time would be needed to decipher state issued guidance in regards to these events. She thanked Mike Fletcher of Grazing Fields for submitting a well prepared plan for COVID 19 compliance. Ms. Peterson agreed with Miss Guarino that more time would be needed to see where these horse shows would fall within the Governors reopening plan but invited Mr. Fletcher to speak to the Board in regards to his request. Mr. Fletcher introduced himself and explained his plan to the Board. He noted that he has 30 acres of parking and show rings to accommodate the expected 75 people who would attend the show. With horses being naturally self-distancing and each of the three rings involved consisting of an area which is approximately the size of a football field, Mr. Fletcher believes that he can operate his show safely. He has put into place rules such as the amount of people that can attend the show with each entrant, the mandatory use of electronic payments and regulated spacing during the show and while in parking areas. Mr. Fletcher stated that he would like to know if he gets a positive response from the letter that he has sent the Governor if he can hold his horse show with the approval of the Board of Health. Miss Guarino replied that having been to the farm and seeing how well it is run, she is confident that they will be able to comply with any rules or regulations that the Governor sets forth. Unfortunately, due to the lack of sector specific guidance she is not able make a decision on when or how he will be able to resume holding horse shows. Mr. Fletcher stated that he is ready to fully comply with any regulations that the Governor sets forth. He thanked the Board for their time and signed off from the meeting.

c. **What's to come during the second part of Phase II** – Miss Guarino stated that she is hoping more sector specific guidance should be released by the state in regards to indoor dining, personal care appointments and other sectors that were not clarified during the first part of Phase II. Ms. Peterson asked if there were any questions. There were no questions.

2. Mandatory Workplace Standards & Industry Specific Guidance – Discussion and possible vote on permits, policies and procedures for Phased Re-opening Plans following local and state guidelines:

a. **Changes to Food Establishments' seating**- Miss Guarino started with thanking the Selectmen for working so quickly on approving the process of reopening these businesses. All of the food establishments that have submitted plans have been reviewed by the Health Department. She stated that all of the liquor licenses were issued by the Selectmen to each establishment that was in compliance. Miss Guarino asked if there were any questions on this part of the agenda item. There were no questions

b. **Re-opening Breweries/Wineries, Bars & Taverns** – Miss Guarino stated that Breweries/Wineries, Bars and Taverns are allowed to open during Phase II if they offer table service with both food and alcohol. They are required to have a valid food permit from the Health Department and have to comply with all mandatory workplace standards for restaurants. The Health Department has been working with the local business owners, the ABCC, and the selectman to create a plan for businesses to reopen safely. Miss Guarino asked if there were any questions from the Board. There were no questions.

c. **Outdoor Public/Semi-public Swimming Pool permitting** – Miss Guarino reported to the Board that outdoor Public/Semi-public swimming pools are permitted to open during Phase II. Pool owners that have applied for pool permits have been working to provide the Health Department with water quality samples but are experiencing delays due to laboratories not being fully equipped having just opened themselves. As of May 28th only 1 pre-operational outdoor pool inspection has been scheduled. She noted that as soon as the required water quality samples are submitted to the Health Department, pre-operational inspections can be scheduled. Ms. Peterson asked if there were any questions from the Board. There were no questions.

d. **Permitting Recreational Camps for Children**- Miss Guarino continued with the agenda item stating that this item has been particularly challenging. The Health Department and Recreational Camp Operators are anxious

to get camps up and running but with so much new guidance every day it has been difficult to absorb and put into effect. Miss Guarino explained to the Board that some of the camps that have applied such as Cataumet Colony Club, Sagamore Beach Colony Club, and Bourne Community Boating will need a special exemption from the rule to cross a public beach in order to reach the docks that they utilize for boating purposes. Ms. Peterson asked if there were any questions from the Board or from the audience. Amy Wright from Bourne Community Boating asked for clarification on whether or not they can use the main dock, the floating docks and the community bathrooms located at Monument Beach. Miss Guarino answered Ms. Wright by saying that she is very comfortable with their operation and that this is why she was asking for the Board's support on this matter. Mr. Barlow Jr. stated that he had no issue with the camp running. He made a suggestion to Ms. Wright to follow up with the DNR on the new regulations that they had implemented so that the opening of the camp can go smoothly. Ms. Peterson asked whether the bathrooms at Monument Beach had been opened. Miss Guarino stated that the bathrooms were supposed to be unlocked by May 28th and that the staff there would be taking care of maintaining them. Ms. Peterson then asked if there were any other questions. There were no further questions asked. Mr. Barlow Jr. made a motion to approve the permitting of recreational camps for children and allowing those camps to cross public beaches in order to utilize docks for boating purposes. Mr. Uitti seconded the motion. Roll call vote to approve. Mr. Barlow Jr....yes, Mr. Uitti...yes, Ms. Peterson...yes. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously

- e. **Other sectors, businesses, and operations not otherwise mentioned** – Miss Guarino stated that there is not much more guidance available for other sectors that she hadn't already gone over during the meeting. Ms. Peterson asked if there were any questions. Mr. Gary Maloney asked for some clarification on when regular daycares could open. Miss Guarino agreed that that was very confusing. She stated that she would be looking for further guidance from the state on the reopening of regular daycares. Ms. Peterson asked if there were any other questions. There were no further questions from the Board or the audience.

3. **Approve the Minutes from the previous meeting dated May 28th, 2020** - The minutes were not presented to the Board therefore, no action was taken.
4. **Set tentative date for next meeting and adjourn** - The next Board of Health meeting date was tentatively scheduled for June 24, 2020.

Mr. Barlow Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Uitti seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Taped & Typed by Syreeta Amaral, Administrative Assistant

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Stanley Andrews _____

Galon Barlow Jr. _____

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