



Deerfield Selectboard/Board of Health

January 10, 2022 7:30 pm

8 Conway Street, South Deerfield

MA 01373

Pursuant to a notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Deerfield Selectboard/Board of Health was held on January 10, 2022 at 7:30 pm at the Deerfield Municipal offices, Main Meeting Room, 8 Conway Street, South Deerfield, MA, Meeting was recorded by FCAT. Meetings normally held at the Municipal Offices are being held remotely, with adequate, alternative means of public access, and where required, public participation provided, in accordance with the Governor's March 12, 2020, Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law M.G.L. c.30A § 20.

Board members present: David Wolfram, Trevor McDaniel, and Carolyn Shores-Ness

Also present Kayce Warren, Town Administrator; Kevin Scarborough, Public Works Superintendent; Alex White, Health Agent.

Per MGL c.30A, §20 (Open Meeting Law) and 940 CMR 29.02 (Open Meetings), the Selectboard/Board of Health hereby calls an emergency meeting to consider:

1. Ness calls the meeting to order at 7:30 pm
2. Emergency COVID-19 Protocols – Municipal Office, employees
 - White has been taking random samples of Covid Tests and sending in for further analysis which has returned results of the Delta Variant. Omicron has shown up within Town and Ness is taking steps to prevent further spread. White states that case numbers are increasing overall and suggests implementation of a mask mandate within the Municipal Offices to reduce the number of cases. By appointment only to attend to business at the offices and shift to remote meetings as additional means of protection.
 - McDaniel is in favor of the mandate and suggests employees with adequate space could allow for removal of mask until interaction with others requires wearing the mask. Scarborough has been taking precautions since last week with wearing masks all the time, one person per truck, wiping down hard surfaces, and additional space for lunch breaks.
 - Ness describes an overall positive response from the school children and interactions in sporting events regarding following the protocols. McDaniel speaks to the previous choice to not implement a mask mandate when cases were low and now as cases are rising again a response of implementing the mask mandate is reasonable.

Motion to approve and allow the Town Administrator to use stamp signature to sign for the board the revised text for the adjustment of the Town of Deerfield's Mask Policy- McDaniel

Second: Wolfram

Vote: Wolfram – aye, McDaniel – aye, Ness - aye; (3-0-0)

3. Items Unanticipated 48 hours prior to posting
4. Upcoming Meeting –January 12, 21, 22, 26; February 9, 23; 2022
5. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:53 pm- McDaniel

Second: Wolfram

Vote: Wolfram – aye, McDaniel – aye, Ness - aye; (3-0-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Herchenreder

Documents List:

- Selectboard/Board of Health emmtg, 01/10/2022