# Meeting Minutes: Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition Steering Committee

**Date**  
June 21, 2018

**Location**  
Terrazza Ristorante  
244 Country Club Rd  
Greenfield, MA

**Facilitators**  
Norene Pease and Carolyn Shores Ness, Co-Chairs

**Time**  
4:30 – 8:30 p.m.

**Duration**  
4 Hours

## ATTENDEES:

- Duncan Colter, Ashfield BOH
- Karen Lavallee, Ashfield BOH
- Terry Estes, Buckland BOH
- Marti Ferguson, Buckland BOH
- Robert Lingle, Charlemont BOH
- Carolyn Shores Ness, Deerfield BOH
- Trevor McDaniel, Deerfield BOH
- Randy Crochier, Gill BOH
- Michael Kurland, Goshen BOH
- Steve Adam, Greenfield BOH
- Armand Clavette, Heath BOH
- Betsy Kovacs, Heath BOH
- John Hillman, Leverett BOH
- Christopher Boutwell, Montague BOH
- Al Cummings, Montague BOH
- Gina McNeely, Montague Health Director
- Deb Coutinho, Shelburne BOH
- Norene Pease, Shutesbury BOH
- Ken Rotondi, Shutesbury BOH
- Catherine Hilton, Shutesbury BOH
- Donna Gibson, Williamsburg BOH
- Helen Symons, Williamsburg BOH

## ABSENT:

- Bernardston BOH
- Colrain BOH
- Erving BOH
- Hawley BOH
- Leyden BOH
- Northfield BOH
- Rowe BOH
- Sunderland BOH
- Warwick BOH
- Wendell BOH
- Whately BOH

## GUESTS:

- Stephen Ball, Leverett/Sunderland Health Agent
- Sandy Clavette, Heath Resident
- Jack Estes, Heath Resident
- Bonnie Graham, Charlemont Resident
- Carlene Hayden, Charlemont BOH Clerk
- Jami Kolosewicz, Gfld Health Inspector
- Robert Laford, UMass, Amherst
- Kathern Pierce, Montague Health Dept.
- Karen Racz, Buckland Resident
- Michael Smith, UMass, Amherst
- Crystal Smith, UMass, Amherst
- Jasmine Ward, Gfld Health Clerk

## FRCOG STAFF:

- Glen Ayers, Greg Lewis, Liz Jacobson-
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<td><strong>1. Welcoming remarks/agenda/introductions</strong></td>
<td>Called to order at 5:39 p.m.</td>
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| **2. Steering Committee elections** | Carolyn Shores-Ness presented the following slate of officers for election to the MAPHCO Steering Committee:  
  • Duncan Colter, Ashfield  
  • Mike Friedlander, Colrain  
  • Carolyn Shores Ness, Deerfield  
  • Betsy Kovacs, Heath  
  • John Hillman, Leverett  
  • Gina McNeely, Montague  
  • Deb Coutinho, Shelburne  
  • Norene Pease, Shutesbury  
  • Donna Gibson, Williamsburg  
  
  There were no nominations from the floor.  
  
  **MOTION:** Deb Coutinho made a motion to elect the slate as presented. Carolyn Shores-Ness seconded the motion and it was carried by a unanimous vote. |
| **3. Presentations** | Greg Lewis described the year in review and the goals of MAPHCO for BP1x, focusing on building partnerships between local Boards of Health and emergency managers.  
  
  Attendees of the meeting listened to, and participated in, presentations by Kimberly Noake-McPhee, Michael Smith and Robert Laford. The topics included local impacts on public health from climate change projections, coordinating unaffiliated volunteers during post-storm recovery, and the mass vaccination operations at UMass in response to the meningitis outbreak. |
| **4. Adjournment** | Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. |