# Meeting Minutes: Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition JIS Subcommittee

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## ATTENDEES:
- Betsy Kovacs, Heath BOH (phone)
- Valerie Bird, Greenfield Health Director
- Rob Strahan, Greenfield Fire Dept.
- Kelly Dixon, Greenfield BOH
- Carolyn Shores Ness, Deerfield BOH
- Norene Pease, Shutesbury BOH
- Mike Friedlander, Colrain BOH
- Tracy Rogers
- Carolyn Shores Ness, Deerfield BOH
- Norene Pease, Shutesbury BOH
- Mike Friedlander, Colrain BOH
- Lisa White

## FRCOG STAFF:
- Tracy Rogers
- Lisa White

## Agenda Items

| 1. Welcoming remarks/agenda/introductions | Called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Norene. |
| 2. Approval of minutes from March 5th JIS Sub-Committee meeting | Carolyn moved to accept. Seconded by Mike. No further discussion. Passed unanimously. |
| 3. JIS Organization | 1. Schedule:  
  a. DPH holding Tue 10:00 a.m. call weekly  
  b. MAPHCO JIS Tue 1:30 p.m. weekly  
  2. Media contact list updated 30 days ago. Betsy volunteered to be media contact. Tracy send list to her.  
  3. Language translation: send list of languages you need to Carolyn.  
  4. Homeless population an area of concern.  
  5. Social media contact: can Phoebe do it? Or Tracy make suggestions to group how to do it.  
  6. Training: MAVEN. Everyone try to have at least two people on MAVEN, so there’s backup. The backup person should also come to a MAVEN training. Put on SC agenda. |
| 4. Updates and Recent Information | 1. Mon SC meeting: print off Berkshire Board of Health Association’s slides and include link to Local Public Health |
Institute of MA Isolation and Quarantine training on BU website also.

2. More integrated approach with MEMA and consider them a reliable messenger, (along with CDC, MDPH, MAPHCO, and local Boards of Health). Include their messaging when it comes out in writing.

5. Messaging.

1. Lisa went over her handout.
   i. Should we separate messaging for local officials v. public; on one page?
   ii. Agreed to send future messaging to all disciplines:
      - LBOH, SB, EMD, EMT, fire, police, TAs/mayor.
      - LBOH forward to general citizenry.
      - Public inquiries outside our disciplines refer back to LBOH.
      - Chief Strahan reported fire departments are receiving info from DFS, DPH, and CDC.
        A. Tell first responders to check CDC guidance on a regular basis and include link.

2. Lisa doesn’t have capacity to do messaging.
   i. Use template Mark created last week.
   ii. Topics this week:
      - What to do if I feel ill (Cat)
      - Household cleaning (see Lisa’s handout) and washing hands and home cleaner recipes
      - Explain social distancing and include flattening the curve – make language strong
      - Recommendations for people over 60, limiting travel, shopping off hours, avoiding movies, church, don’t shake hands, hug, communion, underlying conditions – avoid groups/gatherings, senior centers and community meals

3. MAPHCO is considering issuing a statement about public meetings and gatherings.
   i. Tracy write and send it out without review.
   ii. Tracy draft and send letter to legislature asking for release of OML and send copy to SC.
      - Include request for guidance on annual town meeting.

6. Business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the meeting

   None.

7. Wrap up and adjourn.

   Adjourned at 3:05.

   Next Meeting: Thursday, March 12th, 1:30 – 3:00, via conference call.