



Meeting Minutes: Mohawk Area Public Health Coalition Steering Committee			
Date	September 29, 2020	Location	CONFERENCE CALL
		Call-In #	(929) 436-2866
		Video	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82389123224?pwd=bHhTTU9QaWVYclncFFLeHVleHF3dz09
		Meeting ID:	823 8912 3224
		Passcode:	840865
Time	4:30-5:15 p.m.		
		Facilitator:	Carolyn Shores Ness & Norene Pease, Co-Chairs

ATTENDEES: <i>Valerie Bird, Greenfield Health Director Nina Martin-Anzuoni, Colrain BOH Betsy Kovacs, Heath BOH Carolyn Shores Ness, Deerfield BOH Norene Pease, Shutesbury BOH Michael Nelson, Montague BOH</i>	GUESTS:
ABSENT: <i>John Hillman, Leverett BOH Donna Gibson, Williamsburg BOH</i>	FRCOG STAFF: <i>Tracy Rogers; Lauri Solomon</i>

Agenda Items	
1. Welcoming remarks/agenda/introductions	Called to order by Pease at 4:35 p.m.
2. Review/approval of September 15, 2020 minutes	Norene moved to accept the minutes, Michael seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
3. Old business	Tracy updated the group on BIDLS funding. The county has been allocated \$12,000, ranging from \$800 in some towns to \$1200 in others.

	<p><i>Addendum: Funding will go to the entity that is organizing flu clinic(s) in each town. If the Cooperative Public Health Service (CPHS) is organizing a town's clinic, the BIDLS funding for that town has been allocated to CPHS. CPHS is planning to purchase PPE, syringes, advertising, etc. for those clinics, but there is still has some funding that is unallocated. If a town or EDS has other expenses they're trying to pay for, please be in touch with Phoebe Walker.</i></p>
<p>4. New business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. WRHSAC sign distribution. b. Meeting frequency c. Future risk messaging needs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Two signs per town are coming to Tracy's house and will have to be distributed from there. They all come with pre-printed signs that say to keep your distance, wash your hands, and wear a masks. The signs can be removed and replaced with custom signs. b. Committee agreed to skip the next meeting scheduled for 10/13, meet on 10/27, and discuss meeting frequency again then. c. Committee agreed to discuss Halloween messaging needs during the next COVID roundtable meeting on 10/5. Tracy will ask Phoebe to add it to the agenda.
<p>5. Business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Carolyn, Norene, Tracy, and Lauri met earlier in the day to discuss the idea of merging MAPHCO and the Regional Emergency Planning Committee (REPC). Tracy proposed that neither group take the other under their wing, but instead we create a whole new entity where MAPHCO and the REPC are equal partners. Chairs of both groups will meet to work out a path forward. MAPHCO members are encouraged to attend the next REPC meeting on 10/6. b. The Committee thanked Valerie Bird for her service. Val is retiring effective 10/14. Jen Hoffman will fill in for her as interim Health Director until the city hires a permanent replacement. c. Betsy reported on the Hawlemont flu clinic held 9/26.
<p>6. Wrap up and adjourn</p>	<p>Meeting was adjourned at 5:31 p.m.</p>