MARBLEHEAD BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES, April 30, 2020

Present: Chm. Helaine Hazlett, Todd Belfbecker; Michelle Gottlieb, Andrew Petty, Director Also Present: Dr. Tom Krueger (League of Women Voters)

Web-based video conferencing meeting of Board of Health via Zoom.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM.

Chairman Hazlett extended condolences to the families of loved ones who were succumbed by the virus.

Andrew reported that there are 1963 new COVID-19 cases statewide and 252 recent deaths. The total numbers of deaths are 3405. In Marblehead, there are 157 cases and 17 deaths. The number of people in quarantine is 27,939 and those finishing quarantine 17,659. There are 18,200 hospital beds across the state with 54% available for patients. As a reminder trusted websites to visit are: Marblehead.org, CDC, WHO for any questions or concerns about COVID-19.

Andrew presented a proposal on "Guidance for Residents on Wearing Face Coverings during COVID-19". He stated the importance of wearing facial covering whenever someone is outside or entering a public setting. The facial covering may help people with COVID-19 who are asymptomatic from spreading the virus. Hand washing and social distancing are still the best way to be safe and healthy. The CDC has put out instructions on how to make your own face covering.

MOTION to adopt the Guidance for Residents on Wearing Face Coverings during COVID-19. All in favor and motion passed.

Camps and pools may not open this summer. More information will be available at the weekly meeting with the state.

MOTION to close meeting. All in favor and motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50pm

Andrea Flaxer Senior Clerk