

MARBLEHEAD BOARD OF HEALTH

MINUTES, February 2, 2021

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

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

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm.

MOTION to approve meeting minutes of December 15th as submitted. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mrs. Hazlett, in favor; Ms. Gottlieb, in favor; Dr. Belfbecker, in favor.

MOTION to approve meeting minutes of December 22nd as submitted. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Ms. Gottlieb, in favor; Mrs. Hazlett, in favor; Dr. Belfbecker, in favor.

Andrew told the Board on January 29th there were 100 new cases of COVID-19. The active cases at this time are 92 and there are 31 confirmed deaths of COVID-19. The age breakdown is as follows:

17 – (0-19 yrs. of age)
32 – (20-29 yrs. of age)
16 – (30-39 yrs. of age)
17 – (40-49 yrs. of age)
23 – (50-59 yrs. of age)
16 – (60-69 yrs. of age)
12 – (70-79 yrs. of age)
4 – (>80 yrs. of age)

The total number of COVID tests given to Marblehead residents is 29055. In the last fourteen days 3893 tests were given. Phase 1 group of the vaccination distribution are still eligible to receive the vaccination. Phase 2 will begin on Monday for those who are 75 years of age or older. Mass.gov provides all vaccine locations.

Todd opened the meeting to public participation. Many questions were asked about mental health issues that students are facing. Andrew recommended residents to dial 211 for state assistance and 888-215-4920 for crisis counseling. The Marblehead Counseling Center is another resource for residents to seek guidance.

The budget for FY2022 is level funded. There was an increase spending in FY2021 in the following items: printing/forms, internet services, custodial expenses and overtime hours. Also, we would like to have credit cards used as a form of payment at the transfer station. Continued discussion at the next meeting.

MOTION to close meeting. On a polled vote the Board voted as follows: Mrs. Hazlett, in favor; Ms. Gottlieb, in favor; Dr. Belfbecker, in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25pm.

Andrea Flaxer
Senior Clerk

