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**Wallingford Board of Health  
Director's Report for September 13, 2022**

***1. Infectious Diseases:***

- COVID-19 Response/Update (PowerPoint Slides)
- Vaccine Clinics
- Monkeypox
- Tuberculosis (TB)

***2. Environmental:***

- Completion of Foodservice Relicensing in July currently 414 facilities. (In 2019 there were about 287 facilities)
- May to September, 45 complaints (41 of the 45 have been resolved)

***3. Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP):***

- PHEP Requirements
- MRC
- Trainings conducted, CPR/AED courses

***4. Community Outreach:***

- Celebrate Wallingford (October 1 & 2)
- Public Health Nurse with Health educator attended Masonic Community Fair in June
- HEARTSafe Community Designation

***5. Community Partnerships:***

- Partnership with SCOW- Vaccination Clinics

***6. Public Health Policies:***

- Salon Establishments Ordinance Chapter 592 per Public Act 19-117
- Reviewed Public Schools Reopening Plan and Guidance for COVID-19

***7. Maintain a competent public health workforce:***

- 3 Staff members were certified to teach CPR/AED
- 1 staff member completed the Lead Risk Assessor & Lead Inspector training
- 1 Staff member will be attending Soils Training in October

***8. Administrative:***

- ELC 2 (Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Cooperative Agreement Funding)

Next Meeting: December 7, 2022

Respectfully Submitted,

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DRAFT September 16, 2022

**Wallingford Board of Health**  
**45 South Main Street, Town Hall, Rm 205**  
**Minutes of September 13, 2022**

**Call to Order:** 8:35 a.m. by Eloise Hazelwood, Acting Director of Health.

**Present:** Mayor Dickinson, Dr. Delbert Smith, , Len Guercia, Adrianna Rodriguez

**Excused:** Isaac Cardona, Jeffrey Necio, Kathy Neelon, Daryll Porto, Melinda Schoen

**Guest:** Vanessa Bautista, Chief sanitarian

**Minutes:** DRAFT Minutes, May 4, 2022, were approved as distributed.

**Directors Report (See attached):**

**1. Infectious Diseases: Covid-19 Response/Update:**

- a. Health Department data, June – August 2022, were reviewed. Reported was completed by contract epidemiologist through ECL1 funding. Discussion on lack of data from home COVID test kits and co-morbidity of cases associated with nursing homes.
- b. Review of scheduled Flu (seasonal and COVID) vaccine clinics. Discussion on school immunization requirements
- c. Discussion on CT DPH case management protocol for Monkeypox; discussion on required Direct Observed Therapy (DOT) for infectious TB

**2. Environmental: See Director report**

**3. Public Health Emergency Preparedness Response (PHEPR):**

- a. Update on both local and DEMHS Region 2 contract requirements; Regional PHEP Coordinator requires attendance and participation in numerous meetings with focus on PHEPR Plan review and update. We are currently in the process of working with Chesprocott HD (they are the regional fiduciary) to fill the Wallingford PHEP Coordinator position. Local plan was updated, awaiting review by CT DPH.
- b. MRC update: We need to jump-start the MRC; many of the volunteers are no longer serving, many reasons including age of volunteers, lack of involvement in COVID response, turn-over with MRC Coordinator.

**4. Community Outreach:**

- a. Health department will host on booth during Celebrate; will incorporate health education and MRC recruitment
- b. Anne Bernick, PH Nurse, participated in multiple community health events
- c. HEARTSafe Community award was redesignated; involves continues CPR/AED training for the residents

**5. Community partnership:** Health department continues to work with SCOW for multiple preventive health events including COVID clinics, testing, and translation services.

**6. Public Health Policies:**

- a. Town Ordinance, Ch 592, governing Salon Establishments, is under revision to comply with PA 19-117; discussion on fees and number of establishments.
- b. Vanessa Bautista and Anne Bernick met with Kathy Neelon to review guidance for schools and COVID-19; ELC1 funds will be used to assist with case investigation.

**7. Competent Workforce and Development: See Director's Report**

**8. Administrative:**

- a. CT DPH grant ELC2, a continuation of the initial grant known as ECL1; request for approval to accept the funds submitted. Grant will provide necessary funds for infectious illness response and PHEP
- b. Staffing: DOH position to be posted this week.

**9. Meeting adjourned: 9:25 am**

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