

Shutesbury Board of Health
January 15, 2025, 7 pm
Virtual meeting

Present: Catherine Hilton, chair; Wm Levine, Arleen Read, board members.

Note: Minutes of the previous meeting were not discussed.

Discussion

The Board of Health now has its own zoom account. Cat will share login details with Garrett so he can continue to be the backup host.

Gabrielle Voelker, interim Town Administrator, is promoting a purge of duplicate or outdated records in an effort to make more space in Town Hall. Cat is already working on this but there's plenty more to do.

Arleen reported on two interactions with the Department of Public Health: she was able to keep our provider number on the MIIS in case we wish to offer vaccination in the future, but she's been removed from the MAVEN system. To get reinstated she would have to repeat the training, get a new email name, and actively do case investigation and follow-up. Megan, Sarah, and another nurse from Greenfield are covering these functions, and could provide Arleen with a report on local disease trends, etc., so she will probably not follow up.

Cat reported a conversation with Susan Millinger of the Council on Aging about Susan's hope to provide programs for people with dementia and their caregivers; Susan would like a letter of support from the Board of Health. Cat will ask her for a formal request. There is also the possibility that the Board of Health could underwrite some program if we have surplus funds in our budget line in the spring.

Arleen has some possible edits for a draft of the annual report.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30.