Shutesbury Board of Health February 5, 2025, 7 pm Virtual meeting

Present: Catherine Hilton, chair; Wm Levine, Norene Pease, Arleen Read, Garrett Simonsen, board members; Megan Tudryn, director of Pioneer Valley Health Collaborative.

Minutes of January 15, 2025, and December 18, 2024, accepted. However, we did not meet on December 18! The minutes that were meant to be accepted were for December 4. Vote will be retaken at next meeting.

Meg explained the purpose of the survey required by DPH. It is essentially a needs assessment that should inform the governor's budget for SAPHE 2.0 funding for local public health. Meg will respond for Shutesbury, saving someone from having to take a training just to do the survey, and invite any of us to look at the final form before it is submitted. This is expected to take several hours and we're very grateful to her. Cat will forward district information.

Garrett has already completed the PHEP framework survey, also a needs assessment but for emergency preparedness with an emphasis on training needs.

The Belchertown Board of Health has requested that our board adopt a resolution supporting their implementation of Nicotine Free Generation, which raises the minimum age at which tobacco products can be purchased. Since the request was received too late to be posted, we will vote on this at the next meeting.

Adjourn 7:45