

**Health Commission Meeting
City of Stamford
DRAFT MINUTES
December 09, 2021**

Commissioners Attendance December 2021

Present:
Ms. Lorraine Olson
Dr. Thomas Getreuer
Dr. Tabitha Fortt
Dr. Viviane Trinh

Absent:
Ms. Patricia Parry

Guest Attendance: Ms. Jody Bishop-Pullan, Acting Director of Health, Mr. Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare, Ms. Raquelle Early, Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order		Ms. Olson called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.
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<u>Topics</u>	<u>Discussions</u>	<u>Actions</u>
<p>Proposed Action Approval of the minutes for the Health Commission Special Meeting of November 10, 2021</p> <p>Approval of the minutes for the Health Commission Special meeting of November 18, 2021</p> <p>Approval of the minutes for the Health Commission Appeal Hearing of November 18, 2021</p> <p>Correspondences 125 Lawn Ave., Stamford, CT Appeal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes reviewed by the Health Commission. • Minutes reviewed by the Health Commission. • Minutes reviewed by the Health Commission. • The Health Department was notified that Tenants has vacated from the apartment so the appellant no longer wanted to pursue the appeal. The appellant was unresponsive to the Health Commission, the appeal was dropped. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to approve occurred at 9:02am. (Approved 4-0) • Motion to approve occurred at 9:02am. (Approved 4-0) • Motion to approve occurred at 9:02am. (Approved 4-0)

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<p>49 Plymouth Rd., Stamford, CT Appeal</p> <p>Director of Health Report Ms. Jody Bishop-Pullan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appeal Hearing was conducted on November 18. The appellant was granted an extension of time. • Ms. Early read through the Director of Health report that was provided by Ms. Bishop-Pullan. • 347 Flu vaccines have been given at employee & community events, as well as on Wednesdays at Henry Street Clinic. • All clinics are running with a total of 548 visits. • There's currently one community nurse resignation for the end of the year, one school nurse position opened and one nurse going on maternity leave in January. • Nurses are seeing 30 – 60 students a day. Some nurses are seeing 60 – 90 students a day. • Ms. Olson stated she's concerned by the overwhelming number of students nurses are seeing daily and would like the Health Department to provide a more detailed report regarding the type of nursing visits. • There is an increase in COVID-19 cases, contact tracing efforts continue. The Health Department has not received as much support from the State.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inspector Marjorie Beauchette conducted an inspection to ensure all tenants were vacated. Re-inspection is set to be conducted on December 20 to confirm the bathroom and kitchen are removed.
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Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare
Mr. Ted Jankowski

- Vaccine Equity (VEPF) grant is set to end on December 31. ELC2 grant begins on March 1, with focus on Contact Racing, vaccines, testing and outreach.
- The Health Department is completing shelter plans, as well as reviewing additional plans with *All Clear*.
- MRC/CERT recognition event will be held on December 13.
- The City of Stamford has a new administration.
- COVID 19 Vaccination rates for ages 12 and above is 96%. Second highest vaccination rate State wide. Making good headway with COVID-19 vaccinations for ages 11 and under.
- Opened Disaster Recovery Center along with FEMA providing assistance to the over 369 families and businesses who suffered losses due to remnants of Hurricane Ida.
- Pushing forward with grant funding for various projects including a Police Academy.
- Mr. Jankowski announced Ellen Bromley's retirement as Director of Social Services, and promotion of Sharona Cowan as the new Director of Social Services. Ellen will remain as a seasonal employee until Sharona's old position is filled.

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<p>Old Business</p> <p>New Business Introduction of Director of Environmental Health & Inspections</p> <p>Health Department & Board of Education Collaboration regarding Mental Health Crisis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Getreuer announced Ted’s reappointment as the Director of Public Health, Safety, and Welfare. • No Old Business items listed to discuss. • Mr. Ebrima Jobe introduced himself as the Director of Environment Health & Inspections and provided a brief report on the Environmental Inspections division. • Ms. Olson expressed concerns regarding students making threats in schools. In addition having staff members who are equipped to provide mental health services to students. • Ms. Bishop-Pullan met with the Mike Meyer regarding VITA collaborative. • Ms. Olson reached out to VITA and was invited to their meeting scheduled for January 26, 2022. 	
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<p>Appeal: There were no appeals</p>		
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<p>Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 10:28am.</p>
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Submitted by: Raquelle Early