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**BOARD OF HEALTH
REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
January 10, 2022
5:00pm**

The following individuals were in attendance: Chairman Janet Stoica, Member James Avery, Member Anne Violette, Member Matthew Wyke, and Health Director Camille Griffin

Also in attendance: Representation of Gilbert's Market and Board of Health Tobacco Control Alliance
Joan Hamlet

Absent: Vice Chairman Iwona Miller and Administrative Assistant Danyel Guiou

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to Order by the Chairman at 5PM, on January 10, 2022.

Approval of Minutes

- ❖ Approval of December 06, 2021 minutes
 - **Motion to approve the December 06, 2021 minutes – James Avery**
 - Second – Anne Violette**
 - 4-0 vote to approve the December 06, 2021 minutes**

New Board Business

- ❖ **Request of Hearing from Gilberts Market – Violation Order**
 - A citation was issued to Gilberts Market, for the sale of tobacco to a minor in October 31, 2021. A previous violation had taken place back on April 24, 2021 and a written warning was issued to Gilberts Market. Member, James Avery, questioned when the Board of Health adopted the fines, when an establishment is found in violation. Joan explained the fines have been adopted by the State back in 2020 and every establishment in the Town of Webster was notified of this information. If the Board finds the establishment not responsible, the establishment will not have to pay the fine; however, if the Board finds the establishment responsible, they will be required to pay the fine. The recommendation of the Health Director is to hold the establishment responsible for said violation. Representation of Gilberts Market explained when the violation happened, they did not receive notice until roughly two months later. Their camera footage can only go back 3 weeks from the current date. In order for the establishment to rectify this issue moving forward and ensure it does not happen again, they need to be able to see the violation occur on their camera system. The representatives of Gilberts Market also noted, they never received a warning

in the mail for the first violation. Member, James Avery made a motion to move the question. No second was made in conjunction with the motion. Chairman, Janet Stoica asked the Health Director to call the Board.

Second – James Avery
4-0 vote of violation

❖ **Health Directors Report – Review and Discuss**

- Ms. Griffin reviewed her health report which consisted of:
 - Free at-home Covid tests allocated from the government
 - Webster is looking into purchasing more at-home tests for residents

Old Business

❖ **Covid-19 Number – Update**

- In the month of December, 514 new cases were reported. At home tests, who have tested positive, are not included in this number, as residents who take an at home test do not need to report a positive test. This number only includes recorded positive Covid tests from a doctor's office or a pharmacy. Even though individuals are fully vaccinated as well as having the booster, an individual can still contract Covid, but they are less likely to have severe symptoms or be hospitalized.
- The Health Director reviewed the protocols followed when an individual tests positive for Covid or who is in contact with someone who tested positive for Covid.

❖ **Mask Mandate – Review**

- Due to the numbers of positive Covid-19 cases, the Mask Mandate Order will stay in effect.

Items not on agenda at time of posting

- ❖ Chairman Janet Stoica inquired, if we have available funding, if we could offer gift cards to establishments as an incentive to give to residents to become vaccinated.

Determination of Next Meeting

❖ **Scheduling of next Board of Health Meeting**

- The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2022.

Adjourn

- ❖ Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:48 PM – James Avery
Second – Matthew Wyke
4-0 vote to adjourn the meeting at 5:48PM

Respectfully submitted,

*Camille Griffin
Health Director, MPH, REHS/RS
Town of Webster*

Approved Date: 02/28/2022

Cc: Board of Health Members
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