East Shore District Health Department  
688 East Main Street  
Branford, CT 06405  

Executive Board Meeting October 10, 2019

-Present: Dennis Nastri, Susan Addiss, Elaine Anderson, Angela Carrano, Margaret Ikeda, Michael Pascucilla, Virginia Fallon, Darlene Zimmerman, Elias Najjar, Brian Wnek, Michael Pascucilla, Chris Manna

-Meeting called to order at 5:35 PM by Dennis Nastri

- Correspondence:
  A letter from Wayne Cooke of Branford was received. He requested information regarding the former Atlantic Wire sight on Meadow Street. There were some levels of contamination at this sight prior to the 1970’s when environmental protection legislation came into effect. The building site has been tested, reviewed by CT DEEP, CT DPH, the Environmental Profession and ESDHD there are no imminent hazards or concerns to public safety at this time based on the results we have reviewed.

- September Minutes approved.

- Old Business:

- Yale Clark Beach Project: This involves mapping, water sampling, and DNA testing. Heavy metals, caffeine, bacteria, and animal & human DNA will be tested. This project is near completion and could not have been done without the help of Sara, Kelsey’s Marine, and volunteers from the Short Beach neighborhood. These volunteers will be recognized and honored at Home Restaurant, in Branford, on November 19, 2019.

New Business

- The Yale University Public Health/Climate Change Project
  We are still working with Yale University and local health departments on defining local public health’s role in climate change. Once completed, we plan to work with a team of Yale University public health students on a local climate change data gathering and outreach innovative.

- ESDHD Audit
  The district will meet with a financial advisor next month to discuss possible investment opportunities. There will also be an upcoming presentation in November by Michael Solakian, CPA, as to the 2020-2021 ESDHD budget.

- Summer ESDHD Meetings
  The ESDHD meets eight (8) times per year. By statute, we are required to meet 4 times per year. Virginia suggested summer meetings. Vacations and quorum considerations make this difficult. Extra information may be presented to Board during summer months.
-Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE)
EEE was discussed at length and we are actively working with our local and state partners on next year's response and outreach communications. It should be noted that salt marsh mosquitoes are more aggressive than freshwater mosquitoes. However, freshwater mosquitoes typically carry the EEE virus.

-The Public Health Accreditation Board
Accreditation status is nearly completed and will be presented in January. Barbara Naclerio did an informative presentation and thanked Marsha Davis and the rest of the ESDHD team. Barbara provided all with a Performance Management Report. 20 documents still need to be completed, and the strategic plan is 85%-completed.

-Union Contract negotiations
Negotiation have been going and contract documents are being prepared/revised for discussion.

-The ESDHD is applying for a $300,000.00 Opioid grant.
The ESDHD is actively working in conjunction with other local health departments/districts on this grant opportunity from the Department of Public Health.

-ESDHD Point of Dispensing (POD)
The drill will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at the Madison Town Campus.

-Staff Vacancies were discussed.

-Nail Technician Certification will bring a higher standard to that profession with future CT DPH regulations. These standards may be implemented in 2021.

-Next meeting November 14, 2019

-Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Manna